

# HOTEL FIRE TAKES TOLL OF EIGHT LIVES

## CARDINAL MERCIER, HERO OF GREAT WAR, DIES IN BRUSSELS

### PASSING OF CARDINAL MERCIER IN CAPITAL OF BELGIUM TODAY AT ADVANCED AGE IS MOURNED

Strength Gradually Ebbled Following Operation Performed December 29 to Relieve Stomach Condition; His Courageous Defence of Belgian Rights During German Invasion in Great War Made Him World Figure.

Brussels, Jan. 23.—Cardinal Mercier, Primate of Belgium and one of the heroic figures of the Great War, died to-day at the age of seventy-four, losing his long battle against the decline that set in after an operation on December 29.

Death came at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The aged prelate departed quietly into the hereafter with all of Roman Catholic Belgium and France praying for "a speedy recovery, or the grace of a happy death," as the church formula has it.

A representative of King Albert arrived just as the end came. Special masses for the late prelate will be celebrated throughout Belgium and France to-morrow.

The funeral probably will be a state one, with King Albert and Crown Prince Leopold present.

### MANSON PLANS DRIVE TO HALT MOTOR DAMAGE

Traffic Officers to be Trained Here to Enforce Highway Laws More Strictly

Plans for a school of instruction in which traffic policemen will be trained in their duties were announced to-day by Attorney-General Manson. The purpose of this school, which will be held at Provincial Police headquarters here in February, is to improve motor law enforcement in British Columbia, cut down the annual toll of automobile accidents and make the roads safer for motorists and pedestrians.

All municipalities within convenient distance of Victoria will be asked to send some of their traffic officers to the school. Here they will listen to lectures on law enforcement and will be required to write examinations on this subject. Col. J. H. McMullen, Superintendent of Provincial Police, will be in charge. Mr. Manson announced.

"I have been disturbed for some time with regard to the annually increasing number of accidents and fatalities as a result of motor traffic," Mr. Manson said in making public plans for his traffic officers' school. "Yearly in the Legislature we give very earnest consideration to our motor vehicle law and our highway and traffic rules. There is no doubt that the Legislature will be able to do this. And yet, as I have just said, one feels that all our efforts are not solving the problem when one picks up

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### Council Contest in New South Wales

Sydney, Australia, Jan. 23 (Canadian Press Cable via Reuters).—Another phase in the battle over the New South Wales Legislative Council was passed yesterday when the Government's motion to amend the bill abolishing the Upper House was passed by a vote. It is believed the Legislature will be adjourned before the date set for prorogation, the Government believing that at the new session the three Labor Councilors who were paired with absent members at this session would vote for the bill, thereby insuring its passage.

### FALLING LOGS KILLED WORKER

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—William Withers, aged twenty, was killed and E. Russell sustained serious injury to his right foot this morning at the Dominion Mills, on the north arm of the Fraser River. Both men were engaged in loading heavy logs on a skid when the logs broke, two logs falling on Withers, killing him instantly. Russell's foot was badly smashed.

### WAS GREAT FIGURE DURING WORLD WAR; LATE CARDINAL MERCIER



Regrets Elk Lake Amusement Park Project Has Fallen Through

### PARTIES TO CONFER ON COMMONS PLANS

Suggested Liberals and Progressives Discuss Federal Bills Before Introduction

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—Possible methods of co-operation between the Liberals and Progressives whereby the Progressive group would confer with members of the Government in respect to legislation to be introduced in Parliament are under consideration.

One method suggested, it is said, is that a committee of the Government should hold conferences from time to time with the executive of the Progressives, on each piece of proposed legislation prior to its introduction.

It is understood particulars of the two parties, which the Government has promised to introduce this session have been asked for by the Progressive members.

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### ATLANTIC AIRMEN STATE CONFIDENCE

Three Spaniards at Canary Islands on Way to Buenos Ayres, Argentina

Las Palmas, Canary Islands, Jan. 23.—Supreme confidence is held by Commander Ramon Franco and his two associates that the contemplated flight to link Europe and America by air will prove successful.

With their seaplane having functioned beautifully on the trip across the Strait of Gibraltar from Southern Spain and thence to Las Palmas, 517 miles, they are of the opinion it will not fail them in the jump to the Cape Verde Islands, 1,056 miles southward, which they are to commence early Sunday morning, or in the big jump of 1,422 miles from the islands to Fernando de Noronha, off the eastern coast of Brazil.

TO NEW YORK

If the flight to Buenos Ayres is a success, the journey may be continued to New York.

With Commander Ramon Franco are Capt. Ruiz de Alva and Ensign Duran.

The aviators hope to travel at a cruising speed of 150 kilometres (about 120 miles) an hour.

### COTTON GAMBLERS IN BOMBAY PUT UNDER ARREST

London, Jan. 23.—Telegraphing from Bombay, a correspondent of The London Daily Mail says 900 alleged cotton gamblers, including many well-known Indian merchants, have been arrested in Bombay.

The correspondent says the cotton exchange has been troubled for many years by the illegal speculation of members who conducted business outside, making legitimate transactions difficult at recognized prices.

### ESTIMATES TO REACH COUNCIL IN TWO WEEKS

Mayor Pendray Investigated Motion Picture Project While in South

Regrets Elk Lake Amusement Park Project Has Fallen Through

Mayor Pendray was at his desk at 8 o'clock this morning, catching up with papers held for his signature. It will be two weeks before the estimates are ready to be presented to the council.

The council meeting on Monday night will be devoted to routine business, in addition to further consideration of the zoning law discussion. Two zoning by-laws are tentatively before the council, the first a temporary one brought in by Alderman Woodward and given two readings, and the other introduced by Alderman Holmes, who gave notice of his intention at the last council session.

Since the first discussion on the Woodward measure the public works committee of the council has taken two hours of the city, both times viewing the site of three premises for which building permits have been asked. A woodworking plant, vegetable vendor store and a second-hand store are the businesses proposing to start against two of which petitions have been lodged with the council. The right of the city to refuse a permit in the absence of a zoning law is a problem that is now receiving the attention of the city's solicitor.

### ELK LAKE DEAL OFF

Following his visit to Vancouver on route home on Friday, Mayor Pendray was in touch with J. S. Connell, who with associates made a bid of \$42,000 for Elk Lake property on which to establish an amusement park on a large scale way. Mr. Connell has abandoned the project, states the mayor, upon learning that a problem that is now receiving the attention of the city's solicitor.

The offer had been a fair one, and the city had been in a position to accept it.

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### FRUIT THIEVES IN VANCOUVER FLED

Frightened From Warehouse By C.P.R. Guard; Left Truck Behind Them

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Two thieves who attempted to loot the wholesale fruit house of Jamieson & McCall, fruit merchants here, early this morning were interrupted in their work and in their hurry to escape left a large auto truck in the hands of the police.

Constable J. Grady of the C.P.R. police was making his rounds when he noticed a truck attracted by the fruit merchants here, early this morning were interrupted in their work and in their hurry to escape left a large auto truck in the hands of the police.

The truck, which two men were loading with fruit and vegetables from the warehouse. When he approached to investigate the men fled. The constable found a side door of the warehouse had been forced.

City police were called and discovered that in addition to the license plates displayed on the truck two more sets were concealed under the driver's seat.

The truck is an expensive one and in splendid condition. Efforts are being made to establish its ownership.

Two overcoats were also left behind by the prowlers.

### ARMED CLASH IN SOUTHERN PERSIA

Basra, Kingdom of Iraq, Jan. 23.—Serious trouble is anticipated in Southern Persia. The Lan Jullatins and Dashi tribes have been asked to lay down their arms, but they have refused to do so. Persian troops are concentrating in Bushire.

### MAN INJURED BY SPEEDING TRUCK

Vancouver Citizen Struck and Carried Across His Own Lawn

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Struck while walking on the sidewalk, carried through a fence and across his own lawn and pinned against the veranda of his house by a truck alleged to be out of control of its driver, Sam Dubruksin, 634 Georgia Street East, suffered severe injuries to his legs and had bruises on his body last evening.

The driver of the truck, M. Davis, 607 Main Street, was arrested and charged with driving to the common danger.

Davis told the police his truck was struck in the rear by another vehicle and pushed over the walk, but investigating officers were unable to verify this.

### \$100,000 To Settle Old Claim Of Cayuga Indians

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—Private advice has been received here that the Pecuniary Claims Commission, which concluded its sittings in Washington December 23 last, has handed down a judgment awarding the Cayuga Indians of Ontario \$100,000 in settlement of their claims against the State of New York.

The claim is an old one, originating in the time of the American Revolution. The Cayugas formed one of the tribes which went to make up the Six Nations, and at the time of the revolution lived in New York State. Most of them adhered to the British cause, and in 1779 a revolutionary general named Sullivan devastated their territory, forcing the Indians to take refuge under the guns of Fort Niagara. Later they returned to the Cayuga reservation, near Brantford, where they were granted a strip of territory.

### ANSWERS QUESTIONS AFTER WARNING IS GIVEN BY JUDGE



HARRY M. DAUGHERTY

New York, Jan. 23.—Brought into court for contempt because he had refused to answer certain grand jury questions, Harry M. Daugherty, Attorney-General of the United States under President Harding, recanted and escaped a possible jail term.

Mr. Daugherty returned to the grand jury room after being subpoenaed in the federal investigation of the American Metals Company case, but would not answer certain questions on the ground that "it might tend to incriminate me." After being cited before Federal Judge Thatcher, Mr. Daugherty returned to the jury room yesterday and is said to have answered the questions.

### CONFERENCE URGED IN COAL STRIKE AREA

Lewis, Head of Idle U.S. Anthracite Workers, Asks Operators to Negotiate

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 23.—John J. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, has asked Alvin Markle, chairman of the anthracite miners' and operators' joint committee, to call a joint conference.

The meeting was asked, Mr. Lewis stated, on the basis that W. W. Ingalls, head of the operators' negotiating committee, and the miners had accepted in principle the peace plan proposed by The Scranton Times.

The strike in the anthracite field of the United States, involving 158,000 men, has been in progress since September 1 last.

LYNETTS' PLAN

This plan as presented by E. J. Lynett, editor of The Scranton Times, and rejected yesterday by the operators' group, briefly provided for an immediate return to work of the miners, a five-year contract, the old wage scale to continue unless changes should be made by agreement at a conference which might be called sixty days before two years had elapsed from the signing of the contract, and the miners to remain at work until the end of the five-year term regardless of whether the conditions should agree upon a change in the wage scale.

### INSULIN NOW MADE IN CRYSTAL FORM

Dr. J. A. Abel of Johns Hopkins University Announces Success in Experiments

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Development of insulin in the form of a chemically pure crystal was announced before the Chicago Institute of Medicine last night by Dr. John J. Abel, professor of pharmacology, the medical school of Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Abel announced successful completion of his insulin treatment during his delivery of the Pasteur Lecture before the Institute.

Possibility of obtaining insulin in a chemically pure crystal has been looked upon by scientists as one of the greater importance because of the probability that such a crystal will lead to the synthetic production of insulin in an absolutely pure form.

Insulin as now made is a crude solution derived from the pancreatic glands of pigs, and heretofore the chemical form, as distinct from the organic material with which it is mixed, has not been known. A discovery such as Dr. Abel's has been considered the probable means of opening the way for exact analysis of the component parts of insulin. Insulin is used in the treatment of diabetes.

### Prince Henry May Spend a Period In South Africa

London, Jan. 23.—The favorable impressions received by the Prince of Wales during his recent tour of South Africa seem to have had an influence on his brother, Prince Henry. The London Daily Express prints a dispatch from Cape Town saying it is reported that Prince Henry has applied for an appointment to the staff of his uncle, the Earl of Athlone, who is Governor-General of South Africa.

### FIRE DESTROYS OLD HOTEL IN ALLENTOWN, PA., KILLS EIGHT PERSONS AND INJURES SCORE

Only One Body Identified; Guest List of Century-old Hostelery Was Forty-eight; Escape Cut Off by Flames; Rescues Performed by Firemen During Early Morning Hours of Darkness.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 23.—Fire early to-day destroyed the century-old Lafayette Hotel here, taking with it a toll of at least eight lives.

The bodies of three or four persons are believed to be in the smouldering ruins. Twenty persons are in two hospitals, some of them in a critical condition. There were forty-eight guests in the hotel when the fire broke out.

Only one of the bodies has been identified—that of Miss Anna Novanek, who was a waitress in the hotel.

With but one or two exceptions, most of the guests come from Eastern Pennsylvania towns.

The body of Miss Novanek was found on the fourth floor. One of the victims was a guest at the hotel who lost his life when he fell from a window on the fourth floor and landed on the sidewalk. Three other bodies were found huddled together in a corner on the fourth floor when at 5 a.m. the ruins had cooled sufficiently to permit firemen to explore the upper part of the structure.

The hotel was a four-story brick structure on Seventh Street.

The fire broke out shortly after 2 a.m. and spread so rapidly it cut off the escape of most of the guests, many of whom had to be carried down ladders by firemen. There was no time to dress and the guests were forced into the cold blasts of the winter morning in their nightclothes. The temperature was between 15 and 18 above zero.

When the firemen were able to enter the ruins their first consideration was to find any bodies of guests or employees whose escape had been cut off and who had either been burned or smothered to death.

The inside of the hotel was a mass of flames when the firemen arrived. The hallways and stairways were ablaze and unable to leave their rooms, frightened and bewildered guests stood at the windows waiting for rescuers. Spectators standing on the sidewalk below, unable to be of any assistance, could see the occupants of the burning building and hear their cries for help.

RUSHED TO SHELTER

Firemen were run-up as soon as the firemen arrived and the work of carrying down the guests was started. Clad in only flimsy garments, a poor covering for the cold weather that awaited them, few of these so rescued reached the sidewalk without a drenching of water from the hose that turned into ice rapidly. Automobiles and taxicabs were commandeered and the guests were taken to the hospital. There was no time to wait for blankets or to give any clothing to the shivering and in many cases already scorched or burned persons.

Feared in their desire to escape from the hotel, many of the guests, the exact number of whom could not be determined, jumped to the streets. A number of them were injured, some severely.

### WHOLE B.C. GAME MACHINERY TO BE REORGANIZED NOW

Force of Game Wardens, Covering Province, to Concentrate on Conservation

Manson Shakes up Department to Give Wild Life Greater Protection

Creation of new machinery to conserve the game of British Columbia and a complete reorganization of the present enforcement body was announced by Attorney-General Manson in a statement issued to-day.

Briefly, Mr. Manson's scheme provides for the establishment of a game enforcement body devoting itself entirely to this work and covering the entire Province. These officials will act under Colonel J. H. McMullen, Superintendent of Provincial Police, who will be assisted in the game administration by Colonel M. Ferber, Chief Inspector of Game. All administrative work will be carried out by this force, the Game Conservation Board, acting only in an advisory capacity. In addition, all provincial police officers will be game wardens and will thus form a force auxiliary to the game enforcement branch.

"I have noticed some reports about the game administration and in case there should be any misunderstanding as to what we are endeavoring to do it is perhaps wise that I should make an official statement about this matter," Mr. Manson said. "Wild life is of great value to the Province and we have it in abundance. It must be conserved. The value is recreational for our own people and from that point of view is an attraction to visitors from abroad and there is, in addition, a very great value from a purely commercial standpoint in the furs and pelts of our wild animals.

Several years ago there was established by legislation a Game Conservation Board. The original legislation provided that this board should be purely honorary in so far as remuneration was concerned and that its efforts should be directed towards conservation and advising as to regulations that would best bring that result. During the two or three years following the establishment of the board it was given some actual administrative powers with the result that there grew up two administrative bodies—the provincial game wardens and the board. DUAL ADMINISTRATION

"After careful consideration I concluded that two administrative bodies in the same field was unwise and at the last session of the Legislature we so amended the Game Act as to restore the board to its purely advisory status and we transferred all

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## 10,000 PELTS WERE SOLD AT AUCTION

For Event in Vancouver a Success; Muskrat and Mink Led

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Twelve thousand pelts from British Columbia, Alaska, the Yukon, Northern Alberta and Manitoba were offered here at auction this week, and over 10,000, or eighty-five per cent., were sold when the sale closed yesterday afternoon. Muskrat and mink were the leading items in demand, the former advancing seven-and-one-half per cent. over last month's quotations, selling from \$1.50 to \$1.45. Mink advanced ten per cent., bringing \$12 to \$14.50. Raccoon was in fair demand and ten per cent. higher. Beaver and red fox were quiet, while lynx and weasel declined ten per cent.

One British Columbia silver fox brought \$185, but other offerings were of an inferior grade.

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## CARDINAL MERCIER DIES IN BRUSSELS

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Many inquiries were made for his recovery in all the churches of Belgium and heads of almost all the nations of the world anxiously inquired about his condition.

When the sudden turn for the worse came January 6, the Cardinal fully realized his end was near. "My stomach has failed me. There is nothing more they can do," the prelate said to a priest at the bedside.

The Holy Sacrament was administered. This prompted the Cardinal to say: "When my health was good, I always said I wished to receive the last sacrament, but I was compelled to receive it, but while I could still receive it, and I feel a little better now."

**HELD CONFERENCES**  
During his illness, on January 16, he left his bed to pronounce the benediction at the funeral of a Belgian soldier, and he was deeply interested in the prospect of a union of the Roman and Anglican Churches, a movement in which he had long been interested.

**TOO WEAK TO SPEAK**  
He lapsed into unconsciousness while Mass was being said in the sick room. He began to pronounce the benediction, but was too weak to conclude it.

In full possession of his faculties, the Cardinal followed the Mass with composure, making the Sign of the Cross with effort.

At the moment of the Agnus Dei, with its supplication to the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, to give him peace, the Cardinal inclined his head as a token of peaceful leave of those around him. When the Mass ended he turned toward the company at the bedside with a significant look of farewell.

**REFUSED MEDICINE**  
He refused all medicine, but remained calm.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
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Winter Schedule to Gulf Islands—The Ss. Otter will leave Victoria every Monday at 11 a.m., returning to Victoria Tuesday evening, and leave again every Wednesday at 8 a.m. for Ganges harbor, proceeding to Vancouver Thursday, and returning arrive Victoria Saturday afternoon.

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Friends of V.M.C.A. will attend silver tea Thursday, January 28, at Mrs. J. D. Camerons, 1085 Moss Street.

tained complete lucidity as life ebbed slowly away. "There is nothing to do but wait," he repeated to his physician.

Dr. Van Hee, the Cardinal's physician, described his patient as a model one, patient, modest and Christian in self-denial.

"Far from complaining when he was suffering," the physician said, "he was happy to endure physical pain as he then said to himself: 'I feel nearest Christ, whose sufferings had always been present in his mind.'"

At midday the Cardinal's relatives gathered around his bedside and in spite of great weakness, he gave his blessing to each in turn.

Desire Mercier, Cardinal of Malines, Prince of the Church and "Apostle of Peace" was one of the most striking figures brought prominently before the world by the most ruthless war of all times.

Little known outside of Vatican circles or beyond the borders of Belgium prior to 1914, this modest, unassuming prelate was as famous before the world on Armistice Day as were the royal heads of belligerent states or illustrious generals who led the Allied armies to victory.

The role played by Cardinal Mercier was one of the outstanding features of the World War. Although hailed as the "Apostle of Peace" throughout the civilized world, he demonstrated early in the great struggle that he also was a fighter of the first magnitude when convinced his cause was imbued with righteousness.

**URGENT RESISTANCE**  
He was in Rome when news arrived that Belgium, his native land, had been stricken to earth by the mighty German advance. Cutting short the formalities which usually attend the departure of a high church dignitary from the Vatican, he hastened back to Brussels, waved aside preliminaries and precedent, exhorted his people to resist the invasion with all the strength and determination at their command, denounced the Germans from pulpit and palace, and then on continued his work as the most formidable and dangerous thorn in the side of enemy military authorities who were endeavoring to shape the destinies of conquered Belgium to the best advantage of victorious Berlin.

**MISSING'S ADMISSION**  
On countless occasions his courageous attitude in defying the invaders evoked admiration throughout the world. His devotion to the subjected populace throughout the four most frightful years in Belgian history never faltered for the briefest moment, even under pressure of threats and coercion bespeaking violence and death to himself. Baron von Bismarck, German Governor-General of Belgium, who ruled over the little kingdom with an iron hand, once in a mailed glove, was forced to admit that the Cardinal was a man of great courage.

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## SPOKEN BY WIRELESS

Jan. 22, 5 p.m.—Shipping: ANNIE JOHNSON, bound Vancouver, 375 miles north of San Francisco.

GLASGOW MARU, Japan for Vancouver, 720 miles from Vancouver.

MONTEBELL, Olean for Vancouver, 447 miles from Vancouver.

PRINCESS MAQUINN, at Alberni 12.20 a.m.

ROCHELLE, San Francisco for Victoria, 435 miles from San Francisco.

HAURAKI, Sydney for Vancouver, 3,445 miles from Vancouver.

TIATA, Yokohama for Puget Sound, 1,100 miles from Puget Sound.

AORANGI, bound Sydney, 3,320 miles from Victoria at 4 a.m.

Jan. 23, 8 a.m.—Weather: Cape Lano—Overcast; calm; 30.15; 40; sea smooth; 1.05 a.m. Pacific Monarch—Light variable; arrived at Squirrel Cove; 7.30 a.m. Leroy, abeam Cape Mudge, bound for Gouland Harbor.

Estevan—Overcast; calm; 30.33; 44; moderate swell. Pachena—Part cloudy; northeast; light; 30.33; light swell; southeast; light; 30.12; 44; light swell.

Alert Bay—Overcast; calm; 30.20; 45; sea smooth; 1.05 a.m. Venture northbound.

Point Grey—Overcast; drizzle; southeast; light; 3.20; 40; sea smooth.

British Harbor—Overcast; southeast; 30.14; 47; heavy swell.

**Beaverbrook Writes. Book on Press; Admits Setting up Ministers**

Reuter's Special to The Victoria Times.

London, Jan. 23.—Lord Beaverbrook has written a little book in which he professes to discuss the question of politicians and the press, but in reality it is a kind of diary of Lord Beaverbrook's recent doings.

He wishes to show that he has no ill-will to the statesmen whom he has attacked, and certainly the record of his doings in the last ten years shows that he is quite impartial in his favours.

According to his account he made Lloyd George Prime Minister in 1914 and pulled him down again in 1922. He claims also to have first drawn Mr. Baldwin from his native obscurity into office.

It is a good-humoured and amusing work, but the author, as the principal proprietor of two successful papers, is most convincing when he deals with the press. He argues with a good deal of justice that it is important to emancipate the press from a back party allegiance.



Liverpool Cathedral

At top, the first portion completed in 1925. This portion covers an area of 25,000 square feet; when finished, the total area will be over 101,000 square feet. On left is shown the interior of the Lady Chapel.

The building of Victoria's new cathedral is already attracting a good deal of attention, and in view of the interest aroused the following information may serve to show how much is involved in such a task as the building of a big cathedral.

While much has already been written about the mighty cathedral now slowly rising above the city of Liverpool, it is interesting to note that the difficulties experienced, and triumphs achieved, by the architect and builders in their great task.

The site on St. James's Mount forms part of an open space—twenty-two acres in extent, and was acquired in the year 1902 at a total cost of \$2,500.

The architect who succeeded in winning the competition held by the committee was G. G. Scott, grandson of Sir Gilbert Scott, R.A. The work was put in hand at once, and the foundation stone was laid on July 19, 1904, by King Edward VII. in the presence of a crowd numbering about 10,000.

It is interesting to note that the foundation stone was the gift of the mothers' meetings throughout the diocese.

In 1910 the beautiful Lady Chapel was consecrated by Bishop Chevasse and services have been held in it ever since. That the main building should be built on the site of the Lady Chapel was a decision which was understood when it is realized that the foundations were carried down to a depth on the east side of fifty-four feet below the ground level.

The foundation work rendered it necessary to excavate and remove 70,000 tons of earth, mix and place in position 25,000 tons of concrete, and build a concrete one-and-a-half million bricks, and set in position 5,000 cubic feet of stone. This work was completed in sixteen months, and the approximate number of men employed was 300 per week.

Provision had to be made for handling stones of great weight and size, and in the process of the work, it was found necessary to use a setting out board forty feet in length, and to be found means to move these stones and to raise blocks weighing as much as six tons to a height of over 100 feet, and this involved the erection of immensely powerful cranes.

The vaulting in the ceiling weighed 500 tons, and therefore timbering of great strength and also had to be erected as temporary centering for the arches.

The outer roofs of the choir and eastern transepts were constructed in reinforced concrete, which necessitated the use of thirty-one tons of copper. While the main walls were faced outside and inside with stone the core was built up of brickwork and 5,500,000 bricks were used together with 2,650 tons of cement.

The average number of men employed on this work per week was as follows:

1904-1906 ..... 300  
1906-1914 ..... 243  
1914-1922 (war) ..... 243  
1922-1924 ..... 243

The floor of the cathedral is marble and of this material alone some 150 tons were used.

In the matter of heating no large building is a big problem had to be studied, and it is interesting to find that the method finally adopted was based largely upon a system known to, and used by, the Romans.

This consists of a hollow floor similar to the well-known example at the famous Baths of Caracalla near Rome. At Liverpool almost the entire floor is double, enclosing a complete system of shallow ducts through which warmed air is circulated by an electrically driven centrifugal fan. The artificial lighting is by means of electricity and the building contains over 300 lamps.

Thought has been given to the question of protection from fire, and owing to the fact that the cathedral is built on high ground, where the pressure from the ordinary water main would be insufficient, a powerful electrically driven pump of ninety-eight horsepower has been provided in the crypt with a water tank of 20,000 gallons capacity, from which the pump gets its supply.

The great organ is one of the finest in the world. It has 223 stops, of which 168 are speaking stops, and there are 10,000 pipes and six manuals played from five keyboards. The weight of the largest pipe in the organ is one ton two hundredweights and the blowing apparatus is worked by three electric motors of a total horsepower of thirty-two.

The enormous cost of such a building has been entirely met by the generous gifts of church people and by legacies and a feature of great interest is the singular modesty which has marked these donations, amongst which have been a large number of anonymous gifts. A list of all donors walked over with them the commission's procedure in the distribution of Presbyterian Church property as between union and non-union congregations.

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**Courtesy Gets Telephone Girl \$7,000 a Year**

The hardest thing to find in New York, say most folk, is courtesy. Which may be the reason why courtesy is a highly-paid profession.

In one of the biggest trust companies of the Wall Street district is a telephone girl who is paid something like \$7000 a year because she has learned how to make business men feel that they are getting courteous and snappy service. All too many office girls have the "high hat" attitude at the gate.

In the big concerns a vast amount of the business is transacted over the telephone. There are hundreds of men who never go near the building in which the business is executed, and who have to do a great deal of telephoning.

Thus, if Elbert Cary is on the phone and asks for a certain person, the girl to get action and know how to get it.

Girls of this sort are in demand in New York. There are plenty of beauties for Broadway choruses. Keep that in mind if you ever decide to storm Manhattan.

**Fire Damaged Bohemian Club in San Francisco**

San Francisco, Jan. 23.—Damage estimated in excess of \$75,000 was done to the famous San Francisco Bohemian Club by fire late yesterday, which broke out in the top floor store room and for a time threatened to destroy the valuable collection of paintings, tapestries and rare books housed in the building.

Nearly 100 leading men of the city's social and business life, gathered at the club for a dinner, turned to the rescue of paintings, statuary and other precious articles, values at more than \$100,000.

## MANSON PLANS DRIVE TO HALT MOTOR DAMAGE

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The daily press and notices the almost alarming number of accidents. **PUBLIC EDUCATION**

In giving thought to some remedy for this situation it has occurred to me that we must have not only better enforcement but better education of the public with regard to the observance of the law. I am convinced that by far the greatest number of motor accidents would be avoidable if there were more careful driving and strict observance of the law. A lack of careful driving is due for the most part to a lack of appreciation of the dangers of driving. Only education can correct that. Want of observance of the law can only be corrected by a reasonable but rigid campaign of enforcement by traffic officers of the various municipalities and of the Province.

In order to accomplish results in the latter respect it has occurred to me that it might be well by way of an experiment at least, to establish a school of instruction for traffic officers for the Lower Mainland and the Island of Vancouver, at the police headquarters at Victoria. Although I have not worked out the whole idea in this respect roughly only, I propose to obtain the services of one of the learned judges of the Supreme Court to deliver perhaps the opening lecture on the ethics of police and law enforcement. I am not yet able to announce the names of those who will take part in the school, but I may be able to do so in the course of a week or so.

In addition to lectures we shall probably adopt a series of examinations, both oral and written. In any case, I feel sure that anything that can be done towards a reduction in motor accidents is well worth while, and will be appreciated by the public generally and more particularly by the motor-driving public.

**TO HEAR LECTURES**  
The school will be presided over by Col. J. H. McMullen, Superintendent of Provincial Police, and we propose to have lectures given by men well qualified to school officers as to what constitutes proper and effective law enforcement. I am hopeful of obtaining the services of one of the learned judges of the Supreme Court to deliver perhaps the opening lecture on the ethics of police and law enforcement. I am not yet able to announce the names of those who will take part in the school, but I may be able to do so in the course of a week or so.

**WHOLE B.C. GAME MACHINERY TO BE REORGANIZED**  
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administration to the provincial game warden.

"Just prior to the session on the recommendation of the allied game wardens, I was appointed as a Chief Inspector of Game. We are not supplementing that step by a reorganization of our field staff. We have divided the Province into five game districts corresponding with our five provincial police districts. In each we are appointing a sergeant game warden, a coroner, a game warden to have charge of the game warden in his district. The game warden will devote themselves entirely to the enforcement of the Game Act, patrol work and to game conservation and will be clothed with the authority of officers of the law. The authority of officers of the law will report through the inspector in charge of the district to the Provincial Game warden, who will have under his staff at provincial headquarters the chief inspector of game and a staff sergeant doing game work only.

**AN AUXILIARY FORCE**  
We have now between thirty and

**CHURCHMEN SEE MINISTERS AND PLAN INQUIRY**

All Details of Church Union Commission's Work Arranged Satisfactorily

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**ESTIMATES TO REACH COUNCIL IN TWO WEEKS**  
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he regretted negotiations had fallen through.

**SAV PICTURE COMPANIES**  
While in the South on his vacation Mayor Pendray grants a call to three well-known motion picture studios, being conducted over the Fairbanks, Pickford and Warner Bros. studios by their principals. He would take an investment in the neighborhood of \$250,000 to start a studio in Victoria, and tests would have to be made to see if photo-dolls all the year round. Indoor operations lead to high studio costs, and these and other matters would have to be ascertained before a film industry here could be promoted, the Mayor was told.

On the other hand Mayor Pendray found one party interested in such an enterprise and received a promise that Victoria and its beautiful island surroundings would receive an early visit from experts who would investigate the situation at first hand.

**PARTIES CONFER ON COMMONS PLANS**  
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**REPORT UNFOUNDED**  
Sherbrooke, Que., Jan. 23.—E. W. Tobin, M.P., who spent some time in Ottawa to-day, was shown a dispatch from Quebec intimating he would resign his seat in Richmond-Wolfe in favor of Hon. H. H. Marier.

"It is the first I have heard of," said Mr. Tobin. "No one has ever mentioned such a thing to me. The Premier has never spoken to me about it, nor has Mr. Marier ever approached me. I have never given an interview at Quebec on the matter, and I am not at all inclined to do so without any foundation whatever."

**PRINCE ALBERT**  
London, Ont., Jan. 23.—Premier King will not be opposed by the Conservatives in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, according to Frank White, Conservative M.P. for London, who addressed the Conservative Club here last night on his return from Ottawa.

He declared he had no doubt the Premier would be given an acclamation.



Liverpool Cathedral

At top, the first portion completed in 1925. This portion covers an area of 25,000 square feet; when finished, the total area will be over 101,000 square feet. On left is shown the interior of the Lady Chapel.

The building of Victoria's new cathedral is already attracting a good deal of attention, and in view of the interest aroused the following information may serve to show how much is involved in such a task as the building of a big cathedral.

While much has already been written about the mighty cathedral now slowly rising above the city of Liverpool, it is interesting to note that the difficulties experienced, and triumphs achieved, by the architect and builders in their great task.

The site on St. James's Mount forms part of an open space—twenty-two acres in extent, and was acquired in the year 1902 at a total cost of \$2,500.

The architect who succeeded in winning the competition held by the committee was G. G. Scott, grandson of Sir Gilbert Scott, R.A. The work was put in hand at once, and the foundation stone was laid on July 19, 1904, by King Edward VII. in the presence of a crowd numbering about 10,000.

It is interesting to note that the foundation stone was the gift of the mothers' meetings throughout the diocese.

In 1910 the beautiful Lady Chapel was consecrated by Bishop Chevasse and services have been held in it ever since. That the main building should be built on the site of the Lady Chapel was a decision which was understood when it is realized that the foundations were carried down to a depth on the east side of fifty-four feet below the ground level.

The foundation work rendered it necessary to excavate and remove 70,000 tons of earth, mix and place in position 25,000 tons of concrete, and build a concrete one-and-a-half million bricks, and set in position 5,000 cubic feet of stone. This work was completed in sixteen months, and the approximate number of men employed was 300 per week.

Provision had to be made for handling stones of great weight and size, and in the process of the work, it was found necessary to use a setting out board forty feet in length, and to be found means to move these stones and to raise blocks weighing as much as six tons to a height of over 100 feet, and this involved the erection of immensely powerful cranes.

The vaulting in the ceiling weighed 500 tons, and therefore timbering of great strength and also had to be erected as temporary centering for the arches.

The outer roofs of the choir and eastern transepts were constructed in reinforced concrete, which necessitated the use of thirty-one tons of copper. While the main walls were faced outside and inside with stone the core was built up of brickwork and 5,500,000 bricks were used together with 2,650 tons of cement.

The average number of men employed on this work per week was as follows:

1904-1906 ..... 300  
1906-1914 ..... 243  
1914-1922 (war) ..... 243  
1922-1924 ..... 243

The floor of the cathedral is marble and of this material alone some 150 tons were used.

In the matter of heating no large building is a big problem had to be studied, and it is interesting to find that the method finally adopted was based largely upon a system known to, and used by, the Romans.

This consists of a hollow floor similar to the well-known example at the famous Baths of Caracalla near Rome. At Liverpool almost the entire floor is double, enclosing a complete system of shallow ducts through which warmed air is circulated by an electrically driven centrifugal fan. The artificial lighting is by means of electricity and the building contains over 300 lamps.

Thought has been given to the question of protection from fire, and owing to the fact that the cathedral is built on high ground, where the pressure from the ordinary water main would be insufficient, a powerful electrically driven pump of ninety-eight horsepower has been provided in the crypt with a water tank of 20,000 gallons capacity, from which the pump gets its supply.

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## SAYS CANADA NEEDS MINISTER IN U.S.

Borden Makes His Views on  
Proposal Clear in Speech in  
New YorkGovernment Would Have  
Acted if He Had Continued  
to be Premier

New York, Jan. 23.—World peace and the homogeneity of the British Empire were the themes of speakers at a dinner of the New York Canadian Society last night.

Sir Esmé Howard, British Ambassador to the United States, declared there was little chance of realization of "the prophesies of crockers" about an early dissolution of the component parts of the Empire.

Sir Esmé said the appointment of a Canadian Minister in Washington would be a step in the direction of Canada settling her own affairs and he did not think it would in any way disintegrate the British Commonwealth of Nations.

Sir Robert Borden, Canada's wartime Premier, paid tribute to the work of the League of Nations, but found the greatest hope for world peace not in the peace treaties and pacts of nations, but in the spirit which brought them about.

"Not the letter, but the spirit of the League of Nations covenant and the Locarno security pact must be our hope," Sir Robert said in dealing with the efforts of nations to outlaw war by arbitration. It was to be hoped future wars would be prevented by training the world in the habit and practice of constant association and co-operation for peaceful determination and international disputes.

"Even if the League should dissolve to-morrow," said Sir Robert, "it would have rendered to the world a more splendid service than all the international agencies we can recall."

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## School Changes Urged in Britain

London, Jan. 23.—(Canadian Press cable via Reuters).—The Association of British Chambers of Commerce is appealing to the Government to overhaul the curricula of the schools of the country.

Lord Southwark said several other speakers at a convention in Bath were unanimous in the expression of the belief that the nation was not getting value for the money it was spending on education.

"The craze to become clerks has resulted in the market being flooded with clerks with a smattering of innumerable subjects and masters of none," Lord Southwark declared.

Sir Francis Joseph, president of the North Staffordshire Chamber of Commerce, deplored the tendency among young people to secure fixed positions.

"We want more of the gambling instinct so far as life itself is concerned," he said. "The policy of safety first must be scrapped."

## Mounted Police Veterans Met in Terminal City

Vancouver, Jan. 23.—Tales of the campaigns and exploits of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police were retold last night when the veterans of the force held their annual banquet here. They were hosts to the men who have replaced them in the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and urged the present members of the force to carry on with the traditions that had been laid since their comrades first entered the West in 1874.

Stories of the early days of Calgary and the Louis Riel Rebellion were related.

The finest tribute of the evening was paid to Colonel John Allan, one of the oldest veterans living in Canada.

## Fate of Two Men Missing Two Weeks Is a Mystery

Whitney, Ont., Jan. 23.—Authorities now doubt the charred bones, presumably human, found in a burned shack near here are those of Sergeant John Billings and Guide Joseph Stringer, missing since January 8.

It is now announced nothing has been found to establish identification.

## CENTENARIAN DIED

Toronto, Jan. 23.—Mark Lumley, said to be Toronto's oldest citizen, died yesterday at the age of 106 years. He was born in Rotherington, near Scarborough, Yorkshire, Eng., and had been a resident of Toronto since he was sixty-five years old.

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REVENGE OF THE SOVIET—The Orthodox Cathedral in Warsaw, built by the Czar, is being demolished at Soviet orders to destroy the symbol of imperialism.

## Vancouver Island News

### Duncan

#### Special to The Times

Duncan, Jan. 23.—At the inauguration meeting of the Duncan City Council, Mayor J. Islay Mutter (re-elected) in the chair, a vote of sympathy was passed to C. H. Dickie, M.P., and Alderman H. W. Dickie in their recent sad bereavement.

#### COMMITTEES

Committees were appointed as follows: Finance, Mr. Marsh and Evans; streets, Alderman Lee; electric, Alderman Evans; water, Alderman H. W. Dickie; health and building, Ald. Marsh; sewerage and drainage, Mayor Mutter; hospital, Mayor Mutter; fire, warden, Alderman Dickie and Lee.

The two newly-elected aldermen, J. Marsh and E. W. Lee, were sworn in by the Mayor, who offered congratulations to the new member, Mr. Lee, and to Mr. Marsh on his re-election. He was sure, he said, that Mr. Lee would be a valuable addition to the council. He thought the prospects for 1926 were very bright and far better than last year.

#### WOLF CUBS

A very interesting and pleasing ceremony took place on Wednesday afternoon in the Parish Hall, Quamichan, the occasion being the vesting of the Quamichan Wolf Cub Pack by Commissioner Rev. A. Bischofberger of Duncan.

From a very small beginning under Archdeacon H. A. Colison, this pack has grown until there were fourteen boys enrolled in the presence of their parents and many friends. A committee was formed from the seniors present: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Green, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hassell, Mr. and Mrs. Bannister and G. Mellin. This committee formally appointed Archdeacon H. A. Colison as Cub Master and John Taylor Assistant Cub Master.

Mr. Bischofberger explained the workings of the Wolf Cub Pack. It is a world-wide company, with a membership of over 1,000,000 of all nations.

Archdeacon Colison told how he had started this idea in Quamichan, by getting a few boys together on Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4. He paid tribute to John Taylor, who has paid tribute to him on his Saturday afternoons to help this work. They had been carrying on for some weeks, but now feel they are formally, The Cubes are: Don McRae, Dick Bais, Stow Lundie, Tony Lundie, Charlie Hoey, Peter Bannister, Peter Skirring, Douglas McRae, Douglas McKenna, Arthur Mellin, James Green, Alister Hassell, Don Tull and Charlie Colison.

### James Island

#### Special to The Times

James Island, Jan. 23.—A pleasant surprise party was given by the Evening and Morning Ladies' Association on Monday evening. The evening was spent in cards and games. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. Dakin, W. Dakin, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Van Norman, Mrs. T. Whalen, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. McNaughton and G. P. Allen.

#### BRIDGE TEA

Mrs. S. E. Bradley entertained Tuesday afternoon with seven guests. The bridge tea was a success, coming in later for tea. The guests were: Mrs. R. K. Lyons, Mrs. W. Thatcher, Mrs. A. Pierce, Mrs. N. Ganner, Mrs. W. Rivers, Mrs. W. Milstead, Mrs. A. J. Dakin, Mrs. G. Richards, Mrs. F. Whalen, Mrs. E. Rivers, Mrs. D. A. McNaughton, Mrs. Kirk, Miss Allen and Mrs. Noelia. The prizes were won by Mrs. T. Whalen and Mrs. R. K. Lyons.

#### CHILDREN'S PARTY

Mrs. K. Willmott entertained the friends of her little daughters, Bertha and Irene, at a birthday party. The guests were: May and Thelma Thompson, Lillian, Bobbie, Dorothy and Beatrice Bown, George and Winnifred Rowbottom, Mary, Isabel, Kathleen and David Goldie, Eleanor Robb and Gracie Jennison.

Miss Evans and Miss Lewis entertained the girls and boys' basketball team in dancing and guessing contests, which were very much enjoyed.

Mr. Parks has been at Powder Point for the last few weeks.

Mrs. C. Holland has returned from Victoria, where she has been spending a short time with relatives.

W. Cooper is on the island again for a short time.

The weekly whist drive on Wednesday evening was very well attended. The first prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pierce, congratulations by Mrs. Goldie and Mrs. T. McWhinney.

### Sidney

Sidney, Jan. 23.—The Sidney Social Club held their weekly card party in Matthews' Hall on Wednesday evening. Military five hundred was played at six tables. The winners of the first prizes were Mrs. J. Hambley, Mrs. McKay, T. Lidgate and S. MacDonald. The ladies' highest bid was won by Miss Iris Hearn and the gentlemen's highest bid by G. Lloyd.

Final arrangements have been made for the two missionary plays, "Miss Shortlight's Tea Table" and "The New Year," which are being given in the auditorium on Tuesday evening by the St. Andrew's and Holy Trinity branch of the Girls' Auxiliary. The proceeds are for the adopted Indian girl at Alert Bay and the School for Blind Girls in Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Copland of Deep Bay are spending a few days in Victoria.

Mrs. Smith, of the Orchard, is staying in Victoria with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. White.

The friends of Miss Owen Argyle of Seaway will be sorry to hear she is ill.

### Chemainus

#### Special to The Times

Chemainus, Jan. 23.—The annual meeting of the First Chemainus Company Girl Guides' committee was held in St. Michael's parish-room recently. There was a good attendance, with the president, Mrs. Walter Porter, in the chair. The president read an excellent report on work done during the year, followed by the report of Guide Captain Mrs. Ross, who gave a splendid report of work done by the guides in general, and those who won badges. Twelve guides have joined during the past year, four of them having been promoted from the Brownie Pack. Twenty-four names are on the roll.

Badges were won by the following girls: Cooks' badge, Enid Fraser, Violet Porter and Kathleen Porter; examiner, Mrs. John Robinson. Domestic service, Enid Fraser, Evelyn Toyner, Violet Porter, Coralle Fraser and Kathleen Porter; examiner, Mrs. Spurling, Violet Porter; examiner, Mrs. Allan Porter; examiner, Enid Fraser, Coralle Fraser and Violet Porter; examiner, Mrs. Hill, Toyner, Enid Fraser; examiner, Dr. H. B. Rogers; dairymaid, examiner, Walter Porter; boat-swallows, Guides Mrs. Ross and Miss McInnes, Enid Fraser and Coralle Fraser; examiner, Howard Brown, Swimmers, Marjorie Erskine, Kathleen Porter, Coralle Fraser and Dorothy Fraser. Examiners, Miss Denny and Miss Georgeham. Athletics, Miss McInnes, Coralle Fraser, Lillian Porter and Harriet Brown; examiner, N. Lang. Tenderfoot badge, Gertrude Robinson, Margaret Laidlaw, Josephine Murray, Eunice May, Dorothy Fraser and Marjorie Erskine. Order of merit for saving life, Marjorie Erskine. There are four pairs of Lily of the Valley, Violet, Tulip, and Pansy. Miss Norah Dwyer, the Brown Owl, reports twenty-one brownies on the roll, all of whom, with the exception of five, have been enrolled as brownies. The financial report of the committee is as follows: Made during 1925, \$109.46; expenses, \$104.84; leaving a balance of \$4.62. Four new members joined the committee: Mesdames Hill, Giltroy, Humble and Evans. The guides are to have new uniforms, for which they are working. Mrs. Humble has kindly promised to give them their ties.

The annual meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to Chemainus General Hospital was held in the parish of Calvary Baptist Church, there was a good attendance. The president, Mrs. Frank Reed, in the chair. The annual reports were read and adopted, followed by a discussion of furnishing the new rooms at the hospital, especially the nursery. It was thought that a five-cradle bassinets would prove useful, and the secretary was asked to make enquiries about size, price, etc.

The annual statements were discussed and passed, and the following elections took place: church committee, Mesdames T. H. Toynebe, H. Robinson, A. E. P. Stubbs and M. Halhed, Messrs. W. Allister, H.

### Sooke

#### Special to The Times

Sooke, Jan. 23.—The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of Knox Presbyterian Church was held Wednesday. There was a good attendance of members. The president, Mrs. S. Lundie, was in the chair. The secretary gave an outline of the year's activities, which showed that a large amount of work had been done by the society during the past year. The two sales of work held by the society brought excellent returns, and the meeting rendered a vote of thanks to the ladies who had done the largest share of work for these sales.

Last year's officers were re-elected as follows: Mrs. Lundie, president; Mrs. Mugford, vice-president; Mrs. Kohout, secretary-treasurer. A programme of work for the coming year was formulated by the meeting before adjournment.

The annual congregational meeting of Knox Presbyterian Church will be held on Tuesday, January 26, at 4 o'clock in the church.

Under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society, Miss L. K. Peltion of Montreal, field secretary, addressed a well-attended meeting in the church on Tuesday, January 21. Miss Peltion in an admirable and appealing address told of the great work which is being done by the women in Canada, who are honored and free on account of their Christian institutions, should not refuse their help in freeing from ignominious oppression their sisters in unchristian lands.

Mrs. J. Murray expressed the gratitude of the meeting to Miss Peltion for her inspiring address, and asked for the Solatium Refreshment Society to assist in their branch of the Women's Missionary Society renewed efforts in the work.

Mr. Henry Bolech is on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Harry Slack.

Mr. W. Fox is visiting in Colwood.

### Keating

#### Special to The Times

Keating, Jan. 23.—The South Saanich Women's Institute held their monthly meeting on Wednesday evening with a good attendance. W. D. Michell presided, and owing to the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Gold, Mrs. Styan read the minutes, and the report of the recent directors' meeting. Mrs. F. Young gave the financial statement of the recent successful country store entertainment. Consideration of the standing committee having been added to the treasury from the proceeds. The report was read from the Travelers' Aid, and a donation of \$5 was voted to assist in carrying on this splendid work. Reports were also given by Mrs. Nimmo from the central committee, Mrs. Gale from the local council, and Mrs. M. Michell from the Junior Girls' Club. It was decided to again affiliate with the Local Council of Women, and Mrs. Gold was reappointed as delegate to the year, and Mesdames Gold, E. T. Lawrie and Styan as delegates to the annual meeting on February 1.

The conveners of the standing committees were appointed by the directors as follows: "Agriculture," to be left in the hands of the directors to arrange for speakers; "Home Economics," Miss Nimmo; "Immigration," Mrs. Gale; "Neighborhood Needs," Mrs. J. J. Young; "Industries," Mrs. Handall; "Laws and Legislation," Mrs. McKensie; "Public Health and Child Welfare," Mrs. Sherring; "Institute Work and Methods," Mrs. H. Lawrie; "Education and Better Schools," Mrs. Styan; "Publicity," Misses L. Lawrie and M. Michell; "Libraries," R. Sherring and H. Lamont; auditors, Mrs. Hafter and Miss Butler; sick committee, Mesdames Gale, Wood and E. T. Lawrie.

The afternoon meeting on February 4 will be in charge of Mesdames J. J. Young, Randall, J. Patterson and M. Michell. Misses R. Young, B. Sherring, N. Styan and H. Lamont will be hostesses for the card party on Saturday evening, January 30. A hearty response was received from the Farmers' Institute to an invitation for their co-operation in arranging for a concert and dance in aid of the Solatium fund which will be held at an early date. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting by the hostesses, Mesdames Sherring and Sherring.

The South Saanich Farmers' Institute met for their monthly meeting in the Temperance Hall on

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### ALBERTA FARMERS

#### SUPPORT BROWNLEE

Pass Resolution at Calgary Convention After Government's Record Discussed

Calgary, Jan. 23.—Delegates to the annual convention of the United Farmers of Alberta here staged an enthusiastic demonstration last night after the province's Premier had placed the legislative record of the Alberta Government before them.

The Premier stated that:

"The figures for the last year would show the Government had come within at least \$350,000 of balancing the budget."

"The attempts to get a low rate on Alberta shipments of coal to Ontario would be continued and within a short time a movement in which the Province of Alberta, the Province of Ontario and the coal operators of Alberta would co-operate would be undertaken to develop the trade."

"In the Alberta redistribution legislation to come before the Legislature at its next session the representation would not be based solely on population, but areas would be taken into consideration."

"As soon as the handling over to Alberta by the Federal Government of control of the natural resources of the province had become a certainty, steps would be taken to allocate some of the revenue to provide a sinking fund to meet the maturing obligations of the province and retire the great capital debt."

**ELECTION IN 1927.**

Particular importance was attached to the Premier's remarks in view of the fact that the term of the present Legislature will expire next summer and that the occasion marked the first important public speech Mr. Brownlee has made in Alberta since he became Premier.

At the conclusion of his address the convention re-endorsed a resolution of confidence in the Government which had been passed earlier in the week.

Since taking office, the Premier reported, the cost of government had been cut \$1,172,000. He detailed the separate items which had gone to make up that total, the largest being a reduction in the Government payroll of \$228,000. The budget deficit had declined yearly, he went on, until this year (1925) the deficit was estimated at \$350,000, as compared with \$2,000,000 at the end of 1921.

### Mrs. Henry

#### Wants Toffee

Mrs. H. has asked us for a recipe for Old Country toffee. She can make pulled taffy, but toffee seems quite impossible. Will someone help Mrs. H. to learn cream toffee making?

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AMATEUR HAD GREAT  
SUCCESS WITH RADIO

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 23.—Clocks Ella, twenty, sitting at a "home-made" wireless set in his home here, heard the message which traveled over thousands of miles of water, mountain and desert from Capetown to tell Mrs. Lydia Nelson of San Francisco that her brother, Sigfried Tenson, from whom she had not heard in twenty-five years, was alive.

The message was in answer to an inquiry broadcast by the American Relay League and other organizations. Ella, who has "dabbled in radio" for several years, said he heard at first a faint call from Capetown and then more clearly the message:

"Tenson is found. Notify sister, Lydia Nelson, San Francisco."

A telegraph message, Memphis to San Francisco, completed the delivery of the news.

"I merely happened to be the first one in America to catch the call," Ella explained. "Anyone else could have done the same thing."

Ella has been in communication with nineteen countries.

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## A GREAT PRELATE

**WITH THE PASSING OF CARDINAL**  
Mercier in Brussels to-day a remarkable world figure has gone to his last rest. It was he who inspired the people of Belgium in the years of their trial and peril as no other could have inspired them. His shining example of courage in the face of the cruellest form of oppression thrilled the whole of the civilized world.

With the Germans in possession of his country, with Baron von Bissing's ruthless methods threatening all with death or worse if they should disobey his orders, Cardinal Mercier defied the enemy's might and never wavered in his denunciation of the outrages perpetrated in the name of Prussian military necessity. Many times it looked as if office would no longer protect him from von Bissing's wrath, but he stood his ground, and his lofty heroism and indomitable determination subdued the truculent soldier. To the Allied troops as well the name of the man whose life closed to-day was an inspiration in the many dark days through which they passed before victory finally crowned their sacrifices.

Cardinal Mercier's epitaph might well proclaim to all the world that no material force was mighty enough to divert him from the path of duty which he marked out for himself. For his country he risked everything. Before everything else he was a patriot.

## NEARLY \$400,000,000

**EARLIER ESTIMATES OF CANADA'S**  
total trade for the year which has just closed indicated that the favorable balance with the rest of the world would reach at least \$300,000,000. The official figures are now made public and they show that this total has been largely surpassed and that the margin is nearly \$400,000,000. In fact this favorable balance has only been exceeded once. That was in 1917 when prices for everything exported were higher than they ever had been and, probably, ever will be again. And when, of course, our imports from Europe were considerably below the normal.

This is a very different story from the one the Bureau of Statistics had to tell at the close of the last fiscal year under the administration of Mr. Meighen. That revealed us with an unfavorable balance of trade with the rest of the world of approximately \$30,000,000. Yet Conservative candidates and newspapers all over the country were telling the Canadian people three months ago that conditions in the Dominion were in a deplorable state. They knew differently, of course, but they were trying to manufacture political capital. And they fooled a lot of electors into believing them.

## VON HINDENBURG'S STATESMANSHIP

**FEW WOULD HAVE PREDICTED**  
twelve months ago that Field-Marshal von Hindenburg would be threatening Germany with a virtual dictatorship unless its Chancellor made greater haste to form a Ministry that would continue to work in support of the Dawes plan and a treaty pledging the country never to try to take its revenge on France. This is practically the attitude which the nation's President adopted with Chancellor Luther the other day, with the result that the Government leader whose signature is on the Locarno pacts presented a Cabinet list without a single Nationalist—the military and monarchist party, the party which actually put von Hindenburg in the presidential chair—and obtained the old warrior's approval immediately.

Several factors in the political situation which has puzzled the country for the last five weeks stand out clearly and are more than usually interesting. It will occur to the average mind at once that von Hindenburg, now in his seventy-sixth year, far from losing his grip on himself, is displaying a firmness and clearness of vision that are winning for him the title of strong man in peace, just as his insistence upon unquestioning discipline during the war enabled him to employ his tactician's brain with such outstanding success. What is more, as will be judged by the nature of his command to Chancellor Luther, less than twelve months in the political atmosphere has endowed him with qualities of statesmanship which can be considered ample justification for his election last April. He is proving himself a German in every sense of the term. His intense patriotism is reflected in his complete disregard of partisan considerations. If he has displayed any bias at all—it could hardly be so described—it has been in favor of the political parties which opposed his election. But the chief feature of his presidential term to date has been his capacity to interpret the predominant sentiment of the country and, what is all important, his determination to put the country's best interests first.

Strangely enough, and it must cause the ex-Kaiser much annoyance, every act of this former distinguished representative of the highest military caste, the man who was expected to part unwillingly with even the remnants of Hohenzollernism, is dashing the

fond hopes of the monarchists. Small wonder that his Nationalist friends are charging him with deserting them. But they have themselves to blame. Von Hindenburg was persuaded to come out of his retirement to play a part in politics, not because of his aptitude for service in that realm, but because his sponsors actually expected to exploit his ignorance of the game for their own ends. He has surprised them and many others. His obvious honesty of purpose has enabled him to see his duty clearly. That was the last thing the Nationalists wanted him to see: As is always the case, however, events have produced the man, and Hindenburg, once a junker of junkers, may pass out of office with a reputation for having learned statesmanship without an apprenticeship—to end his days a greater statesman, perhaps, than he was a soldier.

## COME UP HERE, MR. RINGLING

**SEVERAL YEARS AGO JOHN RING-**  
ling, circus magnate, bought an island a little less than two miles from the town of Sarasota on the coast of Florida. The island is about the size of San Juan, but that is the only point of resemblance, since Mr. Ringling's island, like most others in that region, was a bleak and barren waste. As it stood it was worthless, and no doubt the purchaser bought in for a moderately small sum, while many people must have wondered why he did it.

Shortly afterwards he began the construction of a concrete causeway from the island to the mainland, a mile and three-fifths long, to be exact. The project cost him \$11,000,000, and took more than a year to finish. It is nearly thirty feet wide at the top and is as artistic in design as it is massive in construction. Meanwhile, more millions will be spent in developing the island into a pleasure and high-class residential resort—hotel, golf course, pavilions, gardens, motor roads and so on. Thousands of lots will be put on the market and Mr. Ringling expects to make a big return on his investment.

His courage and enterprise deserve it. A man who will buy a desert island, spend eleven million dollars connecting it with the mainland, and more millions in converting it into an attractive pleasure and residential resort, must have in large measure the combination of imagination and nerve which forms the base of most great achievements. He probably will double his money in the venture. After all, it is easier to double eleven millions than one hundred. In any case, he will get a new thrill out of life in the doing of it, and thrills must be much rarer to the proprietor of the largest show in the world than they were when he first saw the inside of a circus tent. There should be some opportunities for him in this respect on Vancouver Island, and they would not cost him so much, either.

## ADVERTISING IS ESSENTIAL

**VANCOUVER WOMEN HAVE TOLD**  
the British Columbia Products Bureau of the Board of Trade in that city that the reason why there is not a greater demand for the articles produced in this Province is because they are not sufficiently advertised in the newspapers.

The women of Vancouver have put their finger on one of the flaws. How is the buying public to know what they can buy of local origin if they are not told about it in the daily press? People who do not own motor cars and never expect to could recite all the virtues of a dozen makes if they were asked to do so. All because every time they open their newspaper the narrative is spread out before them in an entertaining and instructive fashion. This is successful advertising.

How many people in Victoria could name one-quarter of the commodities made or grown locally? But if they could learn from advertisements how well this city could compete with foreign sources of supply, they would soon commence to play their part in increasing local prosperity.

## FINDING OUT THINGS

**AFTER THE UNITED STATES GOV-**  
ernment has completed its investigation into the so-called British rubber monopoly there is every likelihood that the findings of the committee will have so much to say about the manner in which American rubber manufacturers have taken huge profits out of the pockets of the people of the republic that little room will be left for denunciation of the alleged Malay monopolist. As the inquiry proceeds the investigators are certainly learning a good deal they did not know before about the cost of rubber manufacture and the retail price. For instance, Representative Shallenberger, a Democrat from Nebraska, is asking why a tire costing ten dollars to produce should now be sold for sixty-four dollars. Representative Black of New York said yesterday that Mr. Hoover took credit for the reduction of crude rubber prices a week ago, yet "to-day the price of rubber has gone up."

## WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

**AN UNFORSEEN FINISH**  
From The Duluth Herald  
Lipton's old yacht, the Shamrock II, is being used as a run-rigger. The boat probably thinks it's merely cold tea.

**GOVERNOR-GENERAL SPEAKS SOUND DOCTRINE**  
From The Lethbridge Herald  
"We must think of Canada as a whole," says Lord Byng. The trouble is that too many Canadians think the part is greater than the whole.

**GRAVITATION REVERSED**  
From The Fargo Tribune  
The tighter apples are packed to the barrel the greater seems the tendency for the larger ones to work to the top.

## Other People's Views

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point. They must be clearly written and must contain the name and address of the writer, but not for publication of the writer's name. The publication or rejection of articles is at the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for letters submitted to the Editor.

## MILL SITES

To the Editor:—Seeing in the Wednesday evening edition of your paper a letter from R. D. MacLachlan that an application has been made to erect a sawmill, about midway between Victoria and High School, and the group of churches on Quadra Street, the proposition should surely be put before the ratepayers of that district, who have to pay very high taxes, so high, that some have given up the struggle.

Not long ago, a beautiful building was erected in the district. Mr. MacLachlan speaks about the Christian Science Church, adding another attraction to that part of the town. The building is a fine example of architecture. It is a pity that the sawmill is to be erected on the other side, how absurd to even contemplate when there are so many spots in Victoria much more suitable for such an industry. I have many times heard the drivers of touring cars enlarge to the tourists on the beauties of the churches, etc. I wonder what the ratepayers would be in the future, if their voices cannot be heard owing to the unearthy noises coming from a sawmill nearby. Further comment is needless.

## A RATEPAYER

## THE MEDICAL PROFESSION AND THE PUBLIC

To the Editor:—On reading this morning's Colonist one cannot help feeling surprised at the attitude of the above profession in connection with Dr. Axham and Sir Herbert Barker.

The General Medical Council, who I presume are one of the governing bodies of the medical profession, removed Dr. Axham's name from the register, because he was held guilty of "infamous professional conduct," in as much that he administered an anesthetic to one of the patients of Mr. Barker, who was, and still is, an unqualified practitioner.

Mr. Barker, although his work was confined solely to the spine and bony structures of the body, was helping suffering humanity to a great extent, even when all the arts of qualified practitioners had failed. During the war he did great work, in fact, there was, if I remember rightly, a battalion of remade cripples called "Bonesetter's Battalion." In the end, it was acknowledged that his work was beneficial, so beneficial in fact, that his name was changed from "Bonesetter" to "Sir Herbert Barker."

To hinder a man like this, or any other body of men who are helping suffering humanity, does not tend to elevate the General Medical Council in public opinion, neither will the general public ever believe that Dr. Axham is "infamous," and although he was finally given his reinstatement, it was the General Medical Council that did this. It was public opinion.

While admitting that it is essential for any organization to have strict rules and regulations, and that these rules and regulations should be enforced, we must ask ourselves, are the doctors really protecting and benefiting us in maintaining such an excessively strict code?

## JUSTITIA

## CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP

To the Editor:—Your very interesting and well-written article in re above, appearing in a recent issue of your paper, pleases me very much before the Conservatives of the Province.

It is extraordinary, but nevertheless true, that the Conservatives in the House do not consider Hon. W. J. Bowser, who was elected Leader of the Conservative Party and who is still their leader, as being worthy of any recognition. They seem to shut their eyes to the fact that when they were elected as members, it was not on their own individual personality, but on the support of their leader and his policies.

The mere fact of the defeat of their leader in the recent election should have increased their loyalty to him.

What happened, however, the non-election of the Conservative leader, lately taken as a Heaven-sent opportunity, by some of the very junior and inexperienced members of the House to attempt to seize the leadership, each one considering himself eminently suited to don the mantle of their leader.

When nominations are once more held by Conservatives, a large percentage of the present members will be numbered among the missing, as Conservatives as a whole are now busy preparing, and when the day arrives there will be a reckoning. The result of the last two sessions of the House, from an Opposition viewpoint, has convinced not only Conservatives as a whole, but the large proportion of the people of the Province, that it is imperative to have W. J. Bowser back into public life and office, and when the next convention is held, there will be only one name before it for leadership, and that the present holder of same, "OLD TIMER."

## UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

To the Editor:—Last year the Victoria Rotary Club, in conjunction with the Government Employment Bureau, endeavored to solve, to some extent, the unemployment situation then existing by appealing to the people of Victoria and the neighboring municipalities to send in particulars of any work, skilled or unskilled, that they might be able to offer.

The general response to this appeal was excellent, and in this way many deserving cases of genuine unemployment and actual want were aided over what is always the most difficult portion of the year.

Investigation has shown that this year the unemployment situation is not as urgent as it was twelve months ago, yet there are a number of cases in which men with families dependent upon them are out of employment, and, in the ordinary course of events, have no prospect of obtaining employment until the Spring. Some of these families are in actual want, and more will be added to the list as time goes on.

The heads of the families who now find themselves in this unfortunate position are not asking for charity, but they are asking for employment. They are perfectly willing to get out

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and help themselves if they can only meet with the necessary opportunity. In an effort to bring about this very necessary opportunity, a committee, consisting of members of the Rotary organization, recently interviewed a number of representative local industries and firms with a view to seeing whether it would be possible for them to take in hand now various items of work that would ordinarily be taken in hand later in the year; also whether it would be possible to arrange for credit to be extended to individuals for the purchase of supplies and materials, thus enabling those who contemplated building in the Spring, carrying out repairs or alterations, painting or other work in connection with their property, to have the work done now instead of later, and thus create employment.

In every instance this committee met with a most favorable reception. Those firms that expect to carry out routine work in the Spring expressed themselves as perfectly willing to start earlier, when at all possible. The business firms and supply houses will extend the necessary credit to enable supplies and materials to be delivered now and paid for in the Spring, when they probably would have been purchased anyway.

In this manner it is hoped to stimulate opportunities for employment at what is ordinarily the dullest and most difficult period of the year, from an employment point of view, and thus make it possible for those families who are now feeling the pinch and will be in actual want before very long, to keep the wolf from the door and maintain their self-respect as useful and industrious members of the community.

In conclusion, any individual who may wish to purchase supplies or materials for carrying out any work at this time—painting, building in either lumber or brick, cement work, or hardware—may obtain the names and addresses of those concerns who are willing to extend credit, by applying in person to the secretary of the Rotary Club, Broad Street. No information can be given over the telephone. It is perhaps hardly necessary to point out that the firms and business concerns are entirely free agents in this matter of extended credits and that no obligation exists between them and the Rotary Club; nor have they pledged themselves to extend credits to every one making application to them.

It has been impossible to interview all the local firms on this question of extended credits, but any firm who has not been approached and who would like to co-operate in this should leave their names with the secretary of the Rotary Club. Apologizing for this encroachment on your valuable space.

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## Canadian Questions and Answers

### RAILWAY APPROPRIATIONS

Q.—What appropriation has been made by Canada to Railways?

A.—The total appropriations for the Canadian Government Railways for their beginning to December 31, 1924 were \$451,712,485. The term Canadian Government Railways covers the old Intercolonial Railway and its branches and the former National Transcontinental from Winnipeg east to Quebec. Total advances by the Government to the remaining lines of the Canadian National Railways aggregated \$560,397,955. Part of this sum was required to rehabilitate the Canadian Northern, Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific Railways. The accrued interest on these advances on December 31, 1924, amounted to \$3,913,772.

### JAPANESE IN CANADA

Q.—How many Japanese are there in Canada?

A.—According to the census taken on October 1, 1920, there were 11,583 Japanese in Canada, including those naturalized and those born in Canada. 16,567 are in British Columbia and one-third in Vancouver. 15,992 acres of land are owned by Japanese in Canada. 1,841 Japanese passengers sailed to Canada in 1921.

## The WEATHER

Daily Bulletin Prepared by the  
Department of Meteorology

Victoria, Jan. 22.—5 a.m.—The barometer remains stationary over this Province, and unsettled, cloudy, mild weather prevails on the Pacific slope. Light snowfalls have occurred in the prairies.

### Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; minimum, 43; wind, 4 miles N.E.; rain, .61; weather, rain.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 30; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 26; wind, calm; snow, 4; weather, snowing.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.12; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 35; wind, 16 miles S.E.; rain, .26; weather, rain.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 45; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles S.E.; rain, .42; weather, cloudy.

Tatooka—Barometer, 30.15; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles N.E.; rain, .24; weather, cloudy.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.20; temperature, maximum yesterday, 54; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles S.E.; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.25; temperature, maximum yesterday, 52; minimum, 43; wind, 4 miles S.E.; rain, trace; weather, rain.

Medicine Hat—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 30; minimum, 28; snow, 1.

Edmonton—Temperature, maximum

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yesterday, 2; minimum, 4; snow, 1 in.

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Grand Fork 30 26

Calgary 40 20

Edmonton 30 28

Medicine Hat 30 28

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English Dress Crepes, in floral and stripe effects and in a wide range of shades, including mauve, fawn, sand, Saxe, orange and sage 36 inches wide and big value, a yard ..... **65¢**

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## TO-MORROW'S HOROSCOPE

By Genevieve Kemble

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24 AND MONDAY, JANUARY 25

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## Kumtaks Club to Hold Its Annual Meeting Monday

The Kumtaks Club will hold its annual meeting on Monday at the Y.W.C.A. Stewart-Pease Building, Yates Street. The gathering will commence with supper at 6, the business session to follow immediately. As the annual reports will be read, officers elected, and many vital issues are to be considered, it is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend.

## TRIPLER BABIES WEIGH 31 POUNDS

Claremore, Okla., Jan. 22.—Mrs. J. D. Sullivan, wife of a farmer, is the mother of triplets born a few days ago, weighing a total of thirty-one pounds. Two girl babies weighed eleven pounds each and a baby boy weighed nine pounds.

The babies are growing nicely, says the father.

Lake Hill Dance—Owing to the many requests for another old-time dance, the committee of the Lake Hill Community Centre has decided to hold one in the Community Hall, Quadra Street, on Wednesday, Jan. 27.

As many as possible of the old dances will be revived and appropriate music will be supplied by Art. Farey's orchestra.

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COLUMBIA W.A. IN ANNUAL MEETING HERE NEXT WEEK

Rev. Vincent Gowen of China to Speak on Opening Day at Memorial Hall

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Columbia Women's Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada will be held at the Memorial Hall on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. Many matters of vital issue to the church will be discussed, and reports presented of the year's work in the various branches, and officers elected. The order of proceedings for the three days will be as follows:

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

9.30 a.m.—Service of holy communion and presentation of thank-offering in Christ Church Cathedral; celebrant, the Lord Bishop of Columbia; sermon by Rev. F. A. P. Chadwick.

11 a.m.—Business session in the Christ Church Cathedral Memorial Hall; address of welcome to visiting delegates to be given by Mrs. Schofield, Hon. president; diocesan officers' reports, in part.

12.45—Lunch at Y.W.C.A.

2 p.m.—President's address; speakers, Miss Watt, L.T.T. Rev. Vincent Gowen, missionary to China; city branches' reports.

8 p.m.—Girls' annual meeting. Missionary play, "The Blue Bowl," by the Girls' W.A. of Christ Church Cathedral. Address, Miss Rowlands of Japanese Mission in Vancouver, B.C., on Missionary Work in Japan, the costume of the country to be worn by the speaker; concluding address, the Lord Bishop of Columbia; refreshments.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

10 a.m.—Business session; diocesan officers' reports (continued); noon, devotional address, the Dean of Columbia; there will be no afternoon session.

7.30 p.m.—Business session; address, Rev. Buol Ding Li, Priest in charge of the Good Hope Mission, Victoria. Reports of out of town branches.

9 p.m.—Social hour and conference for delegates.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

10 a.m.—Business session; address, Mrs. Dickson, organizing secretary; noon, devotional address by Archdeacon Laycock.

12.45—Lunch at Y.W.C.A.

3 p.m.—Result of election of officers. Concluding address, the Lord Bishop of Columbia.

2.30 p.m.—Saturday, January 30, Junior annual meeting.

HOSPITAL BALL TO BE DANCERS' MECCA

If the advance sale of tickets is to be taken as a criterion, all roads will point to the Empress Hotel ballroom on Friday, February 5, for the first annual ball in aid of St. Joseph's Hospital. Professor Oard's newest jazz tunes will make their local debut on this occasion, being now en route from the Great White Way, where they were introduced to Broadway's night life by Paul Whiteman.

For the benefit of those who are not devotees of dancing, Mesdames C. E. Wilson and F. J. Sehl have reserved the private dining-room adjacent to the ball-room, where mah jong and bridge will be indulged in.

The hall, which is to be held under the patronage of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Nichol, will be attended by all services, military, naval and consular, being among those signifying their intention to be present.

The first strains of Professor Oard's orchestra will be heard at 8 o'clock and continue until 2. At least four "stintins" will accommodate the guests in the dining-room, and in this connection special attention is being paid to the supper, the management being desirous of making the first event one to be remembered.

St. Joseph's Hospital has just completed its fifty-first year of existence, being established in this city in 1875. It has expanded from time to time, as Greater Victoria expanded in, and in order to accommodate the ever-increasing demands. Since its establishment it has cared for over 10,000 patients, and previous to 1923 saved the Province an average of \$15,000 per year in the way of per capita grant. It has a yearly payroll of over \$40,000, its daily expenses being \$100.

It has \$75,000 still due on the improvements made in 1925, and it is undertaking an extensive building programme that will entail an additional outlay of approximately \$200,000.

This programme will include a maternity and surgical building, the main portion of which will be four stories in height. The third and fourth floors will be devoted entirely to the maternity department. There will be thirteen private rooms on each floor, three having private baths. Six semi-private rooms with two beds each and two single isolation rooms with private bath and nursery are also provided for on each floor, also solariums.

To augment the funds to carry out such a large expansion, friends of the hospital embracing all creeds are heartily co-operating to make the affair on February 5 an outstanding success, and all indications point to their wishes being gratified.

Tickets are on sale at Fletcher's, Angus Campbell's and the Toggery Shop. Members of the committee are canvassing the many friends of the institution.

V.A.S.C. Dance—Great interest is being taken among all the swimmers of the city and their many friends in the announcement of the dance which the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club will hold at the Crystal Garden, Thursday, January 28, from 9 till 11 o'clock. Dancers are asked to use the Belleville Street entrance to the building.

SOCIAL PERSONAL WOMEN'S AFFAIRS CLUB AND NEWS

RETURNING EAST TO FULFILL ENGAGEMENTS

MADAME LUGIN FAHEY

Col. and Mrs. Barnes came down from Crofton yesterday to spend a few days here.

Miss Grace Oliver, Edward Street, has returned from Vancouver, where she has been visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. R. Ker left today via the overland route for Los Angeles, where they will holiday for the next few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Goward, of York Place, left yesterday for Seattle en route for Portland, Ore., where they will visit friends for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Richardson of Winnipeg, who have been spending the last month in Victoria as guests of the Angles, left yesterday for their home in Manitoba.

Mr. F. H. Bridges, Elk Lake, left yesterday afternoon for Seattle where he will visit his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bridges.

Capt. Peter Rorvik and his sister, Miss Anna Rorvik, are spending the week-end in Victoria as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Oliver, Edward Street.

Mrs. R. A. Lipsey was hostess at a miscellaneous shower at her home on Cambridge Street on Thursday evening in honor of Miss Doreen Fawcett, whose marriage will take place next week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hanbury and Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Hanbury have come over from Vancouver to spend a few days, and are guests at the Oak Bay Hotel.

The friends of Mr. A. E. Menher of 545 Balmoral Road will be pleased to hear he is now home from the Jubilee Hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. J. A. Sayward and Miss Margaret Sayward will leave tomorrow for Seattle, whence they will proceed by the Shasta route to California. They will remain in the South about two months.

The many friends of Mr. Jamie Cameron, who has been seriously ill, will be glad to learn that he is making splendid progress towards recovery.

Mrs. Grace Worlock, who has been spending the last month in Victoria as the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Worlock, Menzies Street, left on Thursday for her home in San Francisco.

Mrs. E. M. Pearce returned to Victoria this week from Oakland, California, where she placed her daughter, Miss Catherine Pearce, in school and left yesterday on the S.S. President McKinley for her home in Kobe, Japan.

The supper-dances which have been such a favorite rendezvous for dancers in past seasons have been revived at the Empress Hotel, and the next of the series is to be held on Saturday, January 30. Special music is being provided for the dancing from 9 until 12, and an elaborate supper will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Blair and family left yesterday for Winnipeg, where they will spend a short time before leaving for Toronto, Montreal and Chicago en route to Victoria. They expect to be absent about six weeks.

Miss Angus of "Schubum," Rockland Avenue, left yesterday for Montreal, where she will spend some time visiting friends and relatives. Miss Angus will return to Victoria early in April and before returning expects to visit in a number of cities in Eastern Canada and the United States.

Mrs. W. J. Morrow entertained a number of guests on Thursday afternoon at four tables of bridge. The prize winners for bridge were Mrs. P. Barn, Mrs. E. Jackson, Mrs. A. H. Shotbolt; for whist, Mrs. J. King, Mrs. E. Barn, Mrs. E. Jackson, Mrs. A. H. Shotbolt and Mrs. Alex. McCloy, Mrs. F.

A jolly little dance was held at St. Mary's Hall, Oak Bay, last evening when the members of the Margaret Chapter, L.O.E., were the hostesses. Mrs. David Miller, regent, assisted in receiving the many guests. Among the novelty turns arranged by Miss Nora McEachern were the Chinese dance by Miss Helen Macdonald, Miss Kathleen Clark, and Miss Mona Miller in costume, and a musical monologue by Mr. John Bennett, and a clever eccentric dance by Miss Vivian Combe. Among the many guests were: Capt. and Mrs. McGee, Capt. and Mrs. Schaff, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cameron, Mrs. Campbell, Kathleen Clark, Helen Macdonald, Nora McEachern, Inez Ker, Sheila Parr, Betty Ward (Douglas Lake), B. Bray, Marjorie Oates, Helen Colman, Helen and Betty Streetfield, Dolly Payne, Peggy Jackson, Monina McKenna, Margaret McPhillip, Rachel Madden, Betty Phillips, Vivian Lamb, Patsy Hedging, Kathleen Ross, Mabel Cotton, Peggy Jackson, Audrey Topp, Mona Miller, Marjorie Broley, Neva Stewart, Eva Christie, Peggy Hodgins, Betty Robertson, Ellen Thurn, Kathleen Weolaston, Kathleen Colman, Messrs. Madden, Pemberton, Whitaker, Heming, Jackson, Farr, Pemberton, Thurnburn, Matthews, Pauline, Carr, Jones, Maclean, Smurthwaite, Jackson, Bennett, Carey, Colman, Wilson, Weston, Fleet, Hessonnet, Crane, Payton, Richardson, L. Brown, Lieut. Wood, Dr. Watson and many others.

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MADAME FAHEY TO RETURN EAST SOON

Popular Singer to Give Sacred Recital Here Next Week

Madame Lugin Fahey, who has been spending the past six months on the Pacific Coast, with headquarters at Vancouver, is leaving for Toronto, New York and other eastern points February 1 to fulfill engagements. Madame Fahey recently returned from a short visit to Los Angeles, California, where she was enthusiastically received. She sang for the Matinee Musical Club, the Gamut Club and at a recital at the Ambassador Hotel. She was engaged by the First Methodist Episcopal Church and the Church of the Open Door to give a sacred recital during her brief stay in Victoria. These are two of the largest churches in the West, seating, respectively, 2,000 and 4,000. They were crowded to overflowing on the occasions of Madame Fahey's singing. Mr. L. E. Behrmer, leading manager of the Pacific Coast, is looking after this artist's interests in the South, where she has been asked to return in the near future. She had many offers to remain in Los Angeles, but was unable to alter arrangements already made for her work in the East.

Many admirers of Madame Fahey are of the opinion that she is at her happiest in sacred song. Except for her brief stay in California, she has been filling the position of soloist in the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Vancouver. Both morning and evening she sings to as large a congregation as the church will hold. On the occasion of the rendering of the special music during Christmas week, thousands were turned away disappointed at not being able to gain admittance. It is not alone her beautiful voice, or her lovely artistry which makes her appeal. She sings "as though inspired, and seems to bring a message straight from God."

ORCHESTRAL SOCIETY TO GIVE CONCERT

Second Programme Under W. A. Willett's Leadership Is Arranged

The Victoria Orchestral Society will give a concert at the High School auditorium on February 2, assisted by Mrs. Jesse Longfield. Wilfred A. Willett will lead the band.

Wilfred A. Willett, conductor of the Victoria Orchestral Society and the Cowichan Amateur Orchestral Society, has had long and successful orchestral work in the Old Country having played under many of the principal conductors there. He for many years was associated with such orchestras as Elton College, Windsor, Maidenhead and Slough Orchestral Societies and later with the Jersey Philharmonic Society.

In 1916 the Cowichan Amateur Orchestra was formed with Mr. Willett as its conductor and gave its first concert in April, 1917. Cowichan District at once realized that it had an organization to be justly proud of; since that time the orchestra steadily improving, several most successful concerts have been given at which seven complete symphonies and several well-known overtures have been performed. It is an accepted fact that Mr. Willett's untiring work in the advancement of music has set a very high standard in orchestral work especially.

On the resignation of Drury Pryce as conductor, the society was fortunate in securing the assistance of Mr. Willett and gave a concert last season under his able direction.

Mrs. Longfield's numbers at the concert will include: "Bird of the Wilderness," Horatius; "The Quest," Leonard Smith; "In the Night," Rachmaninoff; "The Answer," Huntingdon; "For a Dream's Sake," Kramer; "A Spirit Flower," Campbell Tippie; "Overture," Promenthorpe; "Beethoven's Extract 'Rosamunde' Schubert; Symphony No. 10, 'The Clock'; Haydn, 'Elegie' (for strings alone); Tschickowsky; four old English dances, F. Cowen.

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## NEW MARKETS FOR CANADA'S PRODUCTS

Wider Trade Fields More Important Than New Tariff Duties, Says Rinfret

He and Four Others Share in Debate in House of Commons

Ottawa, Jan. 23.—The outstanding speech in the debate on the address in the Commons yesterday was delivered by Bernard Rinfret, Liberal member for the St. James Division of Montreal. Besides Mr. Rinfret, there shared in the discussion A. U. G. Bury, Conservative, Edmonton East; F. W. Gresham, Liberal, Halifax; H. A. Albert, John Miller, Progressive, Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, and H. F. Barber, Conservative, Fraser Valley.

These men brought the total of the members who have shared in the debate to twenty-five.

Dealing with the tariff, Mr. Rinfret said he considered the opening of new markets for Canadian products of vastly more importance than the imposition of high tariffs on goods from another country. The present Government had tried to widen Canada's markets by judicious treaties and British preference.

Mr. Rinfret felt the King Government had now sufficient authority to go on with the business of the country.

### VICTORY OVER PREJUDICE

"The victory of the Liberal Party in Quebec," said Mr. Rinfret, "was a victory over prejudice. It was a victory over the prejudice of the Conservative Party."

The Conservative leader had declared, Mr. Rinfret stated, that the cause in the recent election campaign was the racial policy. Yet one of his supporters from the Maritimes had based their arguments in their recent speeches in the House on a plea for cheaper transportation and not on the tariff question at all.

Mr. Rinfret believed these members had been accused of support in the election rather on their argument or cheaper transportation than on the tariff question.

### STAYED AWAY

Mr. McGehegan continued Mr. Rinfret had not visited the province of Quebec during the election campaign. Mr. Rinfret commented that Mr. McGehegan had been placed in a peculiar position by his position in the province of Quebec. It had been said the Liberals had misrepresented the Conservative leader, but said Mr. Rinfret, "let me tell my honorable friend from Mount Royal (A. B. White), that I will never countenance in my own paper, Le Canada, anything in the nature of a slur on the Liberal Party. This was more than anything the Liberals said about Mr. McGehegan in Quebec. To public men had been more treated by his own party. It was a scandalous attitude."

"If he had come to Quebec, he might have done better. This scandal could not have done worse than with Mr. Patenaude leading in the province."

Mr. Patenaude had made it clear he was independent of the Conservative Party leader.

"That did not bother me," interjected Mr. McGehegan.

"But it bothers a lot of the honorable gentleman's friends," replied Mr. Rinfret.

### OTHERS HIS FRIENDS

Mr. Rinfret characterized it as "untrue that the campaign in 1925, either by his own leader or by Mr. Patenaude, had been waged in Quebec on conscription."

"The only time," continued Mr. Rinfret, "that conscription was discussed by Liberals in Quebec was when we were provoked to do it."

Mr. McGehegan apparently had changed his mind in reference to his attitude toward sending troops overseas in the event of war.

"Like St. Paul traveling to Damascus," the Conservative leader had evidently seen a new light.

In 1924, said the speaker, Mr. McGehegan and Mr. Monty were leaders of the Conservative Party in the last election Mr. Patenaude was the leader; and in the Bagot-by-election, Mr. McGehegan was again the leader.

"And God knows who is the leader now," commented Mr. Rinfret.

### TORONTO STATEMENT

Mr. Rinfret went at some length into the charges made against the Prime Minister in a Toronto newspaper. Statements had been made that a vote for King would mean Quebec domination. The war issue had been an appeal in Ontario as well as in Quebec. One speaker in Toronto had said Premier King was head of a pro-whiskey government, and that he was an emissary of the United States.

"Was this the high tariff campaign of the Conservatives? Was this a fair discussion of the campaign?" asked Mr. Rinfret.

### BURY SPOKE

A. U. G. Bury, Conservative, Edmonton East, said coal had defeated the Government candidate in Edmonton.

ton, but darker and more subterranean than coal has been the ways of the Government itself. He criticized briefly the policy of the Government regarding Alberta coal for Ontario and promised to refer to the matter at a later time.

Speaking of the Australian treaty Mr. Bury said the people of his constituency had rejected it because they argued that butter at three cents a pound cheaper meant nothing if people had not the wages to buy. The people, too, he said, had come to mistrust Mr. King's tariff manipulations. He had taken men into his Cabinet ranging from the Minister of the Interior, who was almost a free trader, to Mr. Marler at the other end of the argument. No one knew where he was.

### AUTOMOBILE DUTIES

F. W. Gresham, Liberal, Medicine Hat, thought the Government, in reducing customs duties on automobiles, should consider imported light cars.

He felt something should be done to prevent Canadian wheat being milled in bond while passing through another country.

### OPPOSED TRADE PACT

J. J. Barber, Conservative, Fraser Valley, B.C., urged immediate abrogation of the Canadian Australian trade treaty. Mr. Barber asserted the duty of the Interior Minister to the House of Commons was to state the duties of war had decreed it should lack in the power of cannon and sword.

### PASTORAL LETTER

The famous Pastoral Letter of December 24, prepared by Cardinal Mercier and read in every Roman Catholic Church in Belgium, has been called one of the most crushing indictments of the German invasion ever written. The letter went forth to print in the night, despite every precaution the German authorities could take to suppress it. Spies by the ways watched day and night, over the press, the telegraph, the post, the telephone, the wireless, the German authorities were aware a letter containing condemnations of the most violent nature was to be read in every Catholic Church in the land on New Year's Day, 1915. They were determined to forestall it at all costs, but the letter was read despite their efforts and the wrath of the powerful von Bismarck was heaped upon Cardinal Mercier for his defiance.

### CHICAGO WATER PROBLEM

A statement will be made in the House next Monday by Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, regarding the Government's attitude toward the Chicago drainage canal controversy.

Yesterday afternoon, Hon. R. J. Manion, Conservative, Port Williams, asked the Government if, in view of the ill-feeling being created in both countries by the diversion of water at Chicago, the Government was doing anything. Would there be a report, and had the Government been represented at the recent meeting at Chicago?

Mr. Stewart asked if Dr. Manion would hold this question until Monday, when a complete report would be made to the Government.

Mr. Manion said he was watching very closely and had been represented at all public hearings, he said. There were some things, however, that he would like to make public at the present time.

### COAL FOR ONTARIO

Hon. F. B. Bennett, Conservative, West Calgary, yesterday afternoon asked the Government what steps had been taken to insure the movement of coal from Alberta to Ontario. Last week a sum of money had been made available by Parliament for the purpose of ascertaining the exact cost of transporting coal from Alberta to the East, he said. This money was to be available to supply any deficiency which might arise by reason of the transportation cost being greater than 17 per cent.

Large quantities of coal were now available in Alberta, he said, and 100,000 tons could be shipped within three weeks. Mr. Bennett understood the Canadian National Railway management had not availed itself of the \$25,000 subsidy voted during the last session of the Parliament.

Hon. Chas. Stewart replied that Parliament last session had voted \$25,000 for the purpose of making a test of the cost of shipment of coal from Alberta to Ontario. If shipment cost \$8 per ton, the deficiency of one dollar was to be contributed by the Canadian Government, and if it cost \$9 per ton, the additional one dollar was to be paid by the Alberta Government.

### NO AID ASKED

The railway company, however, had proceeded to move the test quantity of 25,000 tons without calling upon either government to supplement the cost.

About six weeks ago, in view of the strike in the United States and the threat of a coal famine, the question of moving Alberta coal east had been raised. The railway companies were notified to have rolling stock mobilized in consequence of the necessity of the situation had not become serious. If the situation should become acute, the railway companies would be prepared to move the necessary coal rapidly.

If it should become necessary, in so far as the Federal Government was concerned, he thought the \$25,000 voted last session, and not used might be utilized toward getting any necessary assistance in the matter.

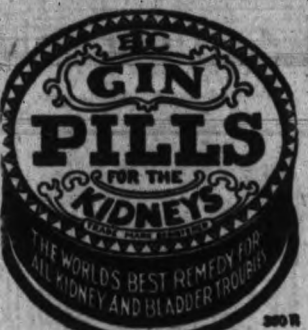
### ADVERTISING COSTS

In the House next Monday Sir Henry Drayton will ask: "What amount of money was spent by each of the different governments in advertising conditions in Canada in 1925?"

### Silver Tea at Mrs. J. O. Cameron's to Aid Y.M.C.A. Funds

A silver tea in aid of the fund for redecorating the Y.M.C.A. dormitory will be held on Thursday afternoon, January 28, from 3 to 6 o'clock. Mrs. J. O. Cameron has kindly lent her charming home at 1085 Moss Street, for the occasion. All friends and well-wishers of the "Y" as well as active and associate members of the Y.M.C.A. are cordially invited to be present and assist in this way the good work done for the boys and young men of the community.

Afternoon tea will be served by the refreshment committee of the auxiliary. Mrs. Reginald Chave has charge of the programme, which includes numbers by Miss Hope Leung, Miss Mary Philp and Isabel Pike in duets for violin and piano, soprano solo by Mrs. Thos. Southorn and Mrs. McCablin in contralto solo. Those who attend are thus assured of a delightful afternoon, and will have the added satisfaction of helping a cause which should appeal to Christians of every denomination.



### CARDINAL MERCIER DIES IN BRUSSELS

(Continued from page 3)

In the end to acknowledge his master had been met in this mild-mannered disciple of a cause which made up in glory what it lacked in power. The fortunes of war had decreed it should lack in the power of cannon and sword.

### LETTER OF 1915

Another pastoral letter, sent out at the beginning of Lent in 1915, again brought persecution from von Bismarck.

"The conviction of our final victory is more deeply anchored in my soul than ever," the letter said in part. "We will win—do not ever doubt it—but we have not reached the end of our sufferings. Prepare your plans, place your batteries, co-ordinate your movements. Remember, man proposes, but God disposes."

Von Bismarck flew into a towering rage when he read the letter, which was known to Belgians as the "letter of the Cardinal to God for the extermination of the German armies."

### BORN IN BELGIUM

Briane d'Alleur, a little village not far from Waterloo was the birthplace of Cardinal Mercier. He was known to Belgians as the "pope of Belgium," a title which religious men, several other members having received high honors from the Roman Catholic Church.

Believing he was destined for a career other than secular, the future Cardinal prepared for the medical profession, and upon his graduation from college studied surgery under Professor Charcot in Paris. Inborn love of the priesthood, however, soon caused him to abandon his medical studies and seek seclusion in a seminary, where he prepared himself to take the cloth.

### APPOINTED BISHOP

Great surprise was occasioned later, however, when it was noted the priest's teaching were in direct contrast to doctrines of the more conservative element of the Holy See. He taught that Catholic dogma "did not constitute an ideal which it was forbidden to surpass, or surpass, or frontier defining the activities and limits of the mind."

Summoned to Rome by his adversaries, these constituting a majority in the College of Cardinals, he argued his case so convincingly that Pope Leo decided the controversy in his favor and soon afterwards appointed him Bishop of Malines.

### BECAME CARDINAL

He was made a Cardinal in 1907 by Pope Pius X and then dropped from sight, so far as the world at large was concerned, until the Germans entered Belgium in 1914.

Modest, humble, seeking no personal honors, the prelate of Belgium spent the declining years of his life as he had spent the years before the war, visiting his priests and congregations, discussing their troubles, consoling them in sorrow and preaching to them humility in success.

Following the war, in September, 1918, Cardinal Mercier paid a visit to the United States. As his ship docked in New York he was met by General Pershing, who welcomed him in the name of the United States Government, and throughout his tour of the country he received many honors and degrees. At the time of his departure he said:

"If, under the pressure of years or for other reasons, I have to relinquish my ministry in Belgium, I am willing to spend my last days in your country, and will not refuse an opportunity to come here and show I am worthy to be a true American."

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Ralston's Health Bran, per large package ..... 25¢  
Classic Cleaners, 2 lbs. for 25¢  
Sani Flush, per tin ..... 35¢  
Chloride of Lime, 2 lbs. for 35¢  
Seal of Quality Toilet Rolls, 3 for ..... 25¢  
3-in-1 Shoe Polish, all colors, 2 tins for ..... 35¢  
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Oilet's Flake Lye, per tin ..... 15¢  
Washing Soda, 5 lbs. for 10¢  
Eddy's Sani Matches, 24 to a package ..... 45¢

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Sirloin Steak, per lb. .... 29¢  
Round Steak, per lb. .... 20¢  
Shoulder Steak, per lb. .... 16¢  
Stewing Beef, 2 lbs. for ..... 25¢  
Hudson's Bay Beef Sausages, 2 lbs. for ..... 25¢  
Dry Salt Pork, per lb. .... 25¢  
Corned Rump and Rounds, per lb. .... 20¢  
Corned Plate Beef, 1 lb. for ..... 12¢  
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## AT THE THEATRES

Capitol—Tour of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.  
Columbia—"The Calgary Stampede."  
Dominion—"Hands Up."  
Coliseum—"The Earl and the Girl."  
Playhouse—"Rebecca's Scottish Thistle."

The elaborate Bal Masque sequence which occurs in "The Crimson Runner," Priscilla Dean's current production for Hunt Stromberg, at the Coliseum Theatre, is said to be one of the most spectacular scenes ever filmed in the history of the industry. The picture is one of the big features booked for the Coliseum. In this connection it should be noted that "Lady Windermere's Fan" will open at the Coliseum, February 1. It has only recently been released, but the loyal support Coliseum patrons have given the show justifies the expenditure.

## CAPITOL

During the taking of the film which shows the recent tour of the Prince of Wales in Africa and South America, the British heir apparent was the guest at one of the vast estancia, or ranches, of the Argentine.

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the Prince asked if he might have a horse and, having been given a mount, he prepared to go with the riders. The burly vaqueros of the Argentine gave him a hearty cheer and away they went, over a plain which was filled with gopher holes, and which threatened the necks of all taking the ride.

## DOMINION

The problem of deciding between two girls he loves and who love him is one of the many difficulties encountered by Raymond Griffith in his newest starring comedy for Paramount, "Hands Up," at the Dominion Theatre all this week, in which he is cast as a dashing young aide to General Robert E. Lee, fighting for the cause of the Confederacy. At the time the story opens Lincoln and Lee are equally hard pressed for gold with which to continue their respective campaigns. News is brought to the President of a fabulously wealthy gold mine in Nevada from which he can obtain the necessary money. He obtains the mine and brings it to Washington. Lee sends his brave young aide, Griffith, through the Union lines as the "Confederate" to obtain the gold before the Union agent gets it. Griffith meets Love, his Union rival, and Mack Swain, the "Confederate" coach. He also meets Swain's beautiful niece, Marion Nixon and Virginia Lee Corbin, and falls in love with them.

## ROYAL VICTORIA

"My China Doll," the original musical extravaganza, which caught the town's fancy during the last half of the week that it has been presented at the Royal Victoria, will terminate its popular stay in this city with a performance to-night.

"My China Doll" is typical musical extravaganza, the most loved musical entertainment of the day. It is overflowing with tuneful melodies, colorful costumes, gorgeous scenic settings, smart novelty, and is presented by a brilliant star in Barbara Bronell and a smart company of musical comedy entertainers including a chorus of eleven dancers. "My China Doll" is just the sort of show that patrons everywhere go twice to see; its harmless lyrics, dainty and sweet costumes, as well as its lovely theme, and ever-changing ensembles are long to be remembered by the ever-faithful public. Throwing a

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## Owners Reclaim Property

Five lots which passed to the city on tax titles went back into the hands of former owners this week, through the agency of the City Lands Department.

The properties are in various parts of the city and in each case are reclaimed by their original owners, once more willing to assume the charges against the properties and place them back on the taxable roll. A marked trend towards the appreciation of property values and a growing feeling of confidence in the city's future are becoming manifest through renewed inquiries for lands now under the city's control. It is stated.

show together for the road," simply isn't done any longer. Rather, a road show is the work of at least a year. As a result, when it is seen, with its multitude of diversions, it is worth-while entertainment.

## DANCING IS FIRST LOVE OF STAR OF COMING FEATURE

Greta Nissen, the meteor who has flashed into the lives of every theatre-goer in the country, tells the interviewer in the most fascinating broken English that she "did not want to be in pictures. Nothing of the sort," she wanted to be in New York on the stage dancing.

"That is my life... dancing. It is I care about really. It is my pastime, my pleasure," she laughs. She thinks it is very funny, that to be in pictures is the dream, the ambition of nearly every young girl in America.

Miss Nissen comes to the screen at the Dominion Theatre on Monday, January 25, as a star of silent films in the Raoul Walsh-Baramount super-production, "The Wanderer," the story of the First Black Sheep. Others featured in the all-star cast are Ernest Torrence, William Collier, Jr., in the role of the Prodigal Son; Wallace Berry, Tyrone Power and Kathryn Williams. J. T. O'Donoghue adapted the story for the screen from Maurice Samuel's stage play of the same name.

## Advance City Money

With \$52,723 advance tax money paid into the treasury up to yesterday, the prepayment of taxes plan has netted the city an increase of over \$12,000 over the full period of January, 1925. For the whole of January last year the sum of \$45,846 was advanced by ratepayers under the latest plan, bearing plan and on which they received six per cent interest. With \$52,723 in hand for the first three weeks of the month the city is \$17,137 ahead of even last year's year. Showing. Though the city pays the same rate of interest for its money, under the prepayment plan, \$4,000 of the money in hand will be returned to taxpayers, instead of being paid out to the bank.

## Backache is now a Thing of the Past

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## BURNS DINNER MONDAY NIGHT

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All arrangements are complete for the big Burns Dinner in the Empress Ballroom on Monday, January 25, at 8 p.m.

The affair is under the auspices of the Burns Club.

The chief speech of the evening has been entrusted to A. Fraser Reid of Vancouver. Mr. Reid is an eloquent and engaging speaker who has made a life-long study of the great Scottish poet.

"The King" will be given by the chairman, John Hosie, president of the club.

The Hon. Dr. J. D. MacLean will give the toast "The Land of Cakes," and Dr. Donald will reply. "The Land of Cakes" will be given by William Mackay, vice-president of the club, and the response by A. D. Macfarlane. Neil McMillan will propose the toast of "The Lassies."

John Villiers Fisher will respond. The Army, Navy and Air Forces will be represented by A. G. Smith, with replies by Commander Percy Nelles, R.C.N., and Captain H. W. Niven, R.A.F., of the Princess Pats. The toast to the Burns Club will be given by Donald McAdie and Captain A. M. Boyd will reply. The Chair and Artists will be proposed by George C. Grant, president of the Scottish Council of Victoria, with reply by the chairman.

An original poem entitled, "Rouse Up, Auld Scotland!" will be recited by the club poet, W. H. Cochran. A high-class musical programme will be sustained by the following artists: R. Burns Law (violinist); J. J. Matheson, Tom Scott, J. M. Robertson and George Bryden, the club piper; Donald Cameron, will play while the guests are assembling, and will also "play in" the bagpipes.

Seaside and other songs will be had from members of the committee, also at the Empress Hotel and from G. C. Grant, Times Office, and W. B. Grant, Spencer's Drug Department.

## MUSICAL NOTES

By GEORGE J. DYKE

Victoria musically has, up to the present, had a very busy and artistic time. With one or two additional concerts—one being the Madame P. hey song recital at St. John's Church next Wednesday evening—January will close with high musical honors.

We have had Grandy, the great harpist, Marion Copp, Toronto's contralto, the Rosling-Rochester Opera Company, the Welsh Glee Singers, who are giving a series of musicals, and the local Schubert Club in their first concert of the season. From present indications February will also prove musically busy. We are to have John Coates, England's great tenor; Charles M. Courboin, the distinguished Belgian organist, who is giving popular with Victoria audiences, and Germaine Schluter, celebrated French pianist, heard here on a former occasion, is also coming in this month. Both months will also witness some interesting and attractive special afternoon concerts by the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club.

Mischel Chernavsky, renowned "cellist and one of the famous three brothers of that name, tells us that his "cello, smashed to pieces last year by a peculiar accident, is as good as ever, but that he watches it like a cat watches a dog," and that he "has insured it to the amount of \$5,000." This is one by Joseph Guernarius, made in 1730.

During the past few weeks four singers, all visiting artists, have particularly impressed us as to the significance of the words that are sung. Splendidly distinct in articulation was the singing of William Heughebaert, Houston, Mrs. F. K. Hodgson and Marion Copp. Indistinctness of words spoils a beautiful song, or a lovely voice. The words either speaking or singing should be distinctly articulated and close attention, too, should be paid to the punctuation.

Most of us are engaged in "buying and selling" celebrated artists have tremendous printing bills to settle after their promotion "season." One bureau alone last year, used 1,500,000 circulars, 25,000 window cards, and over 10,000 three-sheet posters. Cuts and mats for use of newspapers totaled \$5,000.

Our notes have been following the career of the new violinist, Joseph Sigelt. He has arrived in America and his first appearance there proclaimed him "one of the very first rank violinists." My London informant says he is destined to be in London.

The Royal Philharmonic Society of London, England, has bestowed its highest honor, the Beethoven Gold Medal on Sir Edward Elgar, the distinguished English composer. Sir Edward holds the post of "Master of the King's Music."

Beethoven was especially fond of writing "sets of variations" for the pianoforte.

Chopin wrote his beautiful "Nocturne" in A minor, Op. 9, No. 1, when he was living in an old abandoned convent on an island of Macedonia.

William Bachaus, the great pianist, before leaving from England for his present American tour, gave at the Peterborough Cathedral, the first piano recital ever given in England (so it is stated) in a cathedral. It was for charity and the acoustics were eminently fitting.

"The Maid of Niagara" is the name of a new opera composed by Charles Wakefield Cadman, the American writer. The libretto is written by George Murray Brown of Halifax, N.S., Canada. It is especially suitable for high school and amateur organizations.

The San Carlo Grand Opera Company, heard here more than once, and perhaps the world's largest touring organization, is again on tour and meeting with big success everywhere. The company is now in Los Angeles.

Irving Berlin, whose name for the moment is almost daily seen in the press, through his recent romantic marriage, has a particularly snappy and compelling manner of using rhythmic phrases in his compositions. As an instance his latest dance tune, "Don't Wait Too Long" has a rhythm that almost talks to one.

It is announced that once-upon-a-time fellow citizen (it is noticed that Los Angeles now "claims" him), Victor Edmunds, has gone to New York in response to two flattering offers from that city. Mr. Edmunds' career must surely be a great encouragement to other students and young professionals in the Pacific West. We know that this splendid tenor has won his way by pure vocalism and the beauty and exactness of his extensive repertoire. He is, surely, and steadily, surmounting the great distances that have to be travelled before reaching the goal of musical affluence in fame and fame.

TEEN AGE GIRLS TO HOLD CONFERENCE

Arrangements are being made by the Girls' Work Board to hold a two-day conference on February 6 and 7 for all C.G.I.T. groups in the city and

## THOSE WERE THE DAYS—

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cluded among the names of the violinists of all time. His tone is beautiful and such players as Mischa Elman, Heifetz, Seidel and others will have to look to their laurels.

Anyone interested in Pierre Key's "Music Year Book" can obtain a copy by communicating with the writer, care of The Times newspaper. It's 379 pages contain much information.

It took Germany first to realize what a masterpiece Elgar's "Dream of Gerontius" is. True, Birmingham heard its first production, but it was not until after Germany had pronounced it a masterpiece that it was heard in London.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, Hon. Walter Cameron Nichol, during his term of office has more than once shown his loyalty to music and art. To music he has been especially liberal in attendance and pocket. Musical circles cannot but regret the expiration of the Governor's official four years. Mrs. Nichol, who is extremely musical, well-trained and vocally accomplished, has also done much for music and art. To music he has been especially liberal in attendance and pocket. Musical circles cannot but regret the expiration of the Governor's official four years. Mrs. Nichol, who is extremely musical, well-trained and vocally accomplished, has also done much for music and art. To music he has been especially liberal in attendance and pocket. Musical circles cannot but regret the expiration of the Governor's official four years. Mrs. Nichol, who is extremely musical, well-trained and vocally accomplished, has also done much for music and art.

Daughters of Pity—The regular meeting of the Daughters of Pity will be held at the home of Miss K. Roberts, 403 Young Street, on Monday evening, January 25, at 8 o'clock.

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## Goal Two Minutes Before Final Whistle Gives Sheiks A Point

Cougars Goal-lead Gained Half Way Through Third Period Looked Good for Victory Until Scott Shot in Tying Counter; Overtime Failed to Bring Either Team a Goal and Game Ended in Tie; Third Overtime Draw Here This Season; Cougars Unlucky

Some day Lady Luck is going to smile kindly upon the Victoria Cougars and see that they get their share of the breaks, but whether or no the old girl will do her vamping act before it is too late for the champions to make the playoffs for the Western Hockey League championship remains to be seen. Last night she laughed right in their face, and the Saskatoon Sheiks, as a result, added another point to their lead in the race. The score after ten minutes overtime play was 1-1.

This is the third overtime drawn game played by the Cougars here this season. They celebrated a 3-1 tie with Vancouver and then pulled their 0-0 game with Calgary. Last night's game marked the first in which a total of four goals have been scored, a record.

With any kind of luck the Cougars would have won within the regulation period last night. They had the chances but the Saskatoon net was covered with "rabbits" feet. In the second period Lester Patrick scored a goal after a rush with Halder and Fredericksen but Referee Ion called it back because Halder was ahead of the play. The tall boy was very little in front and did not interfere with the play. The decision did not meet with the approval of the fans.

## HALDERSON SCORES

The Cougars finally got a goal with half the time gone in the third period. Hart laid a good pass to the stick of Halder in the goal-mouth and "Slim" whipped the puck into the net.

This goal looked good enough for a win, as the champions' defence was standing up admirably and Bill Cook and Denney, their main sharpshooters, had been unable to get anywhere. A momentary lapse, however, on the part of the champions gave Scott a chance to retrieve a puck within a length of Holmes and he batted in the tying goal with less than two minutes to go.

Saskatoon did not try to pull off a win in the overtime. They were satisfied to sit back in their boat and drift home through to a tie. The Cougars tried their hardest to win in the winning goal and Saskatoon was saved when Lady Luck turned her back once again on the champions. Walker pulled the Saskatoon defence over to the right and passed to Fredericksen, who was uncovered in front. The pass was just a fraction beyond Fred's reach and by the time he had recovered the puck, the Cougars were back in their position. Right afterwards Oatman had the midge on the puck and he shot it like a bullet into the goal.

The Cougars played consistent hockey right through. Saskatoon, on the other hand, were more sporadic. When they did get on an offensive it had a punch in it and this required sterling play on the part of Happy Holmes to pick out the shots. They were more dangerous in the second period than at any other time and one shot off the stick of Reiss lobbed over Holmes' head and grazed the cross-bar, toppling outwards.

## SHARPshooters CHECKED

It was interesting to watch how well the Cougars attended to the Cook-Denney combination. Those birds were run to death nearly every time they got in motion. Laurie Scott proved the most bothersome of the Sheiks and it was his trickiness which led to the Sheiks' tying up the score.

Halnsworth must get a great deal of credit for keeping Saskatoon in the running. He picked off some beautiful shots with the coolness of an Arctic breeze. He also showed some luck on some of the openings they had in front, the refrigerator of the Sheiks would not have been good enough to have saved off with three men rushes, and in the first period Walker had Halnsworth smarting. It was five minutes before the Sheiks were able to get a shot on goal, but right afterwards Meekling drew a penalty and Saskatoon made good use of this. The Sheiks, however, were not able to get a shot on goal until the end of the game.

From that point on the team fought short-handed due to the fact that the Sheiks had pulled out of the game. Referee Ion called the boys off for topsy-turvy stuff. Six players trotted over to the penalty bench.

## PASS UP CHANCES

Victoria's first golden opportunity to score came a minute before the first interval. Halder, Walker and Fredericksen teamed up in a rush, and they had the Sheiks done up like a rag mat. Halnsworth was out of the line, but it would not go in. Halder recovered and missed the open door by one foot.

Lester Patrick collected the puck at the goal post at the end of the second period, and had to leave the ice to have his eyebrow patched up. Anderson and Oatman made great efforts to break into the goal, but they were worth outwitted them. Then came the big Saskatoon bombardment led by Scott, with Denney and Fred Cook coming through in relief. Referee Ion called the boys off for topsy-turvy stuff. Six players trotted over to the penalty bench.

## TERRIFIC PACE

The pace was terrific, and each goal had to withstand some heavy firing. Both, however, proved to be well protected until Lester Patrick scored, but Referee Ion took all the joy out of the fans when he did not allow the goal. This is the third game in a row in which Lester had been cheated out of a goal through a player being too ambitious to crowd the goalkeeper.

The third period did not open up very brightly, but when Meekling

## CHEATED AGAIN



LESTER PATRICK

Once again the Cougars' boss had a goal called back on him last night. Lester made a great play and, because Halder was a little ahead, Referee Ion called back the play. It was an extremely tough break, but all the more disheartening when it is considered that Lester has scored three under similar conditions in 1922 and 1923.

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## BATTLE ALL THE WAY

The game was a battle all the way. There were very few dull moments, and the fast play in the goal-mouths made up for the lack of scores. Both sides had to substitute frequently in order to maintain the unusual speed.

The teams were:

Victoria Position Saskatoon  
Holmes ..... Goal ..... Halnsworth  
Patrick ..... Defence ..... Cameron  
Loughlin ..... Defence ..... Reiss  
Walker ..... R. Wing ..... W. Cook  
Fredericksen ..... Centre ..... Denney  
Meekling ..... L. Wing ..... Scott  
Hart ..... Sub ..... Lalonde  
Halder ..... Sub ..... Bourque  
Anderson ..... Sub ..... F. Cook  
Oatman ..... Sub ..... Gordon  
Referee, F. Ion.

## SUMMARY

First period—No score.  
Second period—No score.  
Third period—Victoria, Halder, 10:25.  
Overtime—No score.

## PENALTIES

First period—Meekling, F. Cook, Reiss, Gordon, Halder, Fredericksen, 2 minutes each.  
Second period—Fredericksen, Reiss, Oatman, Bourque, 2 minutes each.  
Third period—Denney, Meekling and Scott, 2 minutes.  
Overtime—Scott, 2 minutes.

## Helen Wills Will Play In Finals Of Metropole Tourney

American Champ Wins Way Through "Semis" by Beating Mile. Slavos

Will Likely Play Mile. Vlasto in Finals; Keen Interest Being Worked up

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## SIDELIGHTS

The Cougars got a point out of it but it would have been nicer had they taken both.

Saskatoon played to form last night and they failed to show one point of superiority over the Cougars. They were not as good as they were in the first period, but the Cougars were not as good as they were in the first period.

Bill Cook, Denney and Scott, the three main Sheik scorers, got plenty of goals against other clubs but they were not as good as they were in the first period.

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One of the most pleasing features of the Victoria play last night was the big improvement in Russell Holmes. He was a great wonder had his coming his one weakness. Jock Anderson's puck-carrying was greatly applauded.

Halder is skating strongly on the offensive once more and is passing the puck. His goal off Hart's pass was a neat one. Loughlin had a fine shot but it was too smart for him. Hart showed signs of his old form.

## EUROPEAN GOLF STARS ARE SENSATION



LEFT TO RIGHT, WATTS GUNN, ARCHIE COMPTON, D. P. DAVIS, ARNAUD MASSY, BOBBY JONES

Score victory number two for the European golf invaders. Arnaud Massy and Archie Compton began their American tour by defeating Bobby Jones and Watts Gunn 3 and 2. They followed this by trimming Jim Barnes and Johnny Farrell, 1 up on the 39th hole.

Massy is the French open champion, Compton is the British professional golfers title holder, while Jim Barnes owns the British open crown.

The first putting of Massy was responsible for both victories scored by the invaders. Massy and Compton are regarded as the two most colorful foreign golfers to visit us in years. Massy is fifty years old, has been playing golf thirty years and is still going strong.

Compton is six feet four inches and a regular Babe Ruth for distance. In the match with Jones and Gunn, he consistently outdressed Jones, one of the longest hitters in the game.

Massy and Compton have been brought over by D. P. Davis, millionaire Florida realtor, to represent St. Augustine on the links.

West Roaders Win And Lose Matches With Local Teams

Saanich Defeats Blue Jays But Condors Proves Little Too Strong For Them

Two free scoring basketball games were played at the West Road Athletic Club last night when the First United Church Condors and Y.M.C.A. Blue Jays met the Saanich teams. The Condors were in good form and managed to win by four points, but the "V" boys were beaten by a big score, 49-20.

The Condors got off to an early lead which they retained up to the end of the first half, when they finished one basket ahead, the score being 17-15.

On the resumption of play the Saanich boys put on a scoring bee which kept them up to the Condors, who were scoring freely. When the final whistle came the Condors were holding on to a four-point lead. Knott, with twenty points, proved a rapid scorer for the Condors, while Suggs was a consistent point-getter for the West Road.

SAANICH BOYS PLAY WELL

The "V" team was outwitted in the second game, but put up a hard fight. The first half ended with the Saanich boys leading by two points. The home club opened up in the second and scored nineteen points, while the city lads were getting seventeen.

Condors — Knott 20, Goodwin 16, Wallace, Thomas 5, Shade, Warlock.

West Road—Kersey 6, Tanner 4, Sturges 14, S. Bates 1, Hammond 6, T. Eden 6, W. Bates.

Y.M.C.A. Blue Jays—Patterson 4, Doherty 3, Acres 1, Robertson 4, Paulson, Jackson, Hall 2.

West Road — H. Tubman 23, Shyne, Mitchell 16, Rice 4, Anderson 2, Tanner, Styan 4.

WITH THE BOWLERS

The Night Hawks won the Commercial League bowling game last night from the Five Roses Flour team. Anderson was in good form, having the fine score of 487 for the three games. The scores were as follows:

FIVE ROBES FLOUR

Henry ..... 121 140 143 404  
Marshall ..... 130 125 87 342  
Humbert ..... 127 145 152 424  
Hiscocks ..... 123 153 197 473  
Malcolm ..... 124 151 154 429

Totals ..... 655 714 733 2092

NIGHT HAWKS

Clarke ..... 147 183 162 492  
Marshall ..... 140 155 147 442  
Ozard ..... 150 180 183 513  
Anderson ..... 144 190 203 537  
Johnson ..... 170 186 126 482

Totals ..... 771 847 821 2439

too many chances. At one time they had four men on the attack. Saskatoon got a couple of breaks but could not capitalize them. When Scott finally scored the Cougars were all back but the defence was not on the lookout for the pass from Bill Cook to Denney to Scott, which brought the goal.

Come on you Cougars! The champions are now on the road home and the whips will have to be applied if they are to make the play-off. The Cougars have fourteen games left to play, a feat which only a few "breaks" the champions should win a lot of these fixtures.

## INTERNATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE FULLY ORGANIZED

New York, Jan. 23.—The new international soccer league, embracing eight teams from Canada and the United States, is now formally organized, it is indicated in official circles here. Providence, of the American Soccer League, has decided to join Boston, New Bedford, and the Brooklyn Wanderers, completing the United States wing of the circuit.

Scottish and Ulster United, of Toronto, and the Canadians and Carleton, of Montreal, are announced as the Canadian members.

## Rickard Warned Not To "Play With Fire"

By Boxing Officials

Effort to Match Tunney and Dempsey Brings Forth Statement by N.Y. Body

Philadelphia Offers Dempsey Half-million to Meet Wills; Another Figure For Tunney

New York, Jan. 23.—The state athletic commission yesterday warned Tex Rickard, in effect, that he is "playing with fire" if, as generally believed, he is negotiating for a Dempsey-Tunney heavyweight match next summer while Dempsey still is on the ineligible list here. The commission took action in the absence of any official confirmation of either Rickard's reported negotiations or his statement Thursday that he was not subject to the boxing rules authority in this respect.

James A. Farley, chairman of the commission, made it clear, however, that he considered Rickard fully subject to the board's jurisdiction, that it frowned unqualifiedly on any negotiations for a Tunney-Dempsey match so long as Harry Wills is on record here as the champion's official challenger, and that the promoter would find himself "in bad" if he took any steps calculated to violate the commission's rulings.

The fact that Rickard is understood to contemplate matching Dempsey and Tunney for a battle at his Jersey City arena, Doyle's Thirty Acres, instead of in New York state, does not alter the situation, in Farley's view, so long as the promoter is in business here.

## New Basketball League To Be Run For B.C.E.R. Trophy

Industrial and Suburban Teams Will Compete; Entries Must be in by Jan. 31

B.C.E.R. basketball trophy will be competed for this year by both suburban and industrial teams. It has been decided to extend the league to industrial teams in order to stimulate a greater interest in the games and to produce more rivalry between the teams. It also gives a larger number of teams a chance to win the beautiful cup which has been donated this year by A. T. Goward, vice-president of the company.

Last year Jordan River won the trophy outright.

The inscription on the new cup reads:

"Championship of the Victoria Industrial and Suburban Basketball Competition Cup. Presented by the B.C.E.R. Company Limited."

The following rules have been drawn up and will govern the games to be played this season:

The members of an industrial team must consist of employees of the firm represented, but for the present season two outsiders will be allowed in the lineup.

The members of the suburban teams must consist of residents of the district in which the team is located, and must be also members of the team they represent.

The industrial teams must be located in Victoria, Oak Bay, Esquimalt or any of the suburban districts supplied by the B.C.E.R. power.

The suburban teams eligible are those teams which are located in districts through which the transmission and supply lines of the company are built outside Victoria, Esquimalt and Oak Bay.

Each team shall be allowed seven registered players.

The cup to become the property of the team winning it three years, after which it will be sold.

Winner to be decided by a "knock-out series," to be played in Victoria.

Entries must be made by January 31, 1926, on or before January 31, 1926.

The games for to-night will be as follows:

6:45 p.m.—Junior girls, Sunshine vs. Meteors.

7:15 p.m.—Intermediate "A" boys, Hustlers vs. St. Andrew's.

7:15 p.m.—Intermediate girls, Wideawakes vs. Axioms.

8:00 p.m.—Intermediate "B" boys, Greys vs. Capitols.

Junior boys—Mets vs. Firsts.

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## Many Titles Likely To Change Hands In 1926

General Run of Champions This Year as Good as Any Other Year in Past But Some Titleholders do Not Measure up to Men Who Led Divisions in Days Gone by; Big Men Are Good But Small Men Are Lagging Behind

By ROBERT EDGREN

The ring has some good champions to-day, and some that would make a good piece of Camembert crawl into hiding. Perhaps the average is as good as the average in some former years. But it seems that the modern method of crowding a bout into a few hurly-burly rounds doesn't develop many masters of offence and defence.

For instance, how long would the present bantam-weight champion, Charlie Phil Rosenberg, last among the bantams of the 'nineties? Not more than just as long as it took to get him into a ring. Imagine Phil in there with Terry McGovern, or little George Dixon, Jimmy Barry, Casper Leon, Sammy Kelly, Pedlar Palmer, Harry Forbes, Frankie Neil, Joe Bowker, or later with Johnny Coulton, Kid Williams, Pete Herman or Joe Lynch when Joe was good. It was lucky for Rosenberg that he came along when the bantam class was in a slump, following the Goldstein who had little of anything, and Cannonball Martin, who was no more than a mauler. Of the lot named above there are not more than two or three who would fall to finish Phil in less than six rounds.

## WILDE A GREAT FIGHTER

The flyweight class is comparatively new. Jimmy Wilde, of England, was the first recognized world's champion, and he was one of the greatest boxers in the world, regardless of class and weight, and a marvelous little fighting man who, at his best, would compare well with any of the old timers. Wilde lost the title to Villa when he had been in the game too long and was rapidly losing speed and punch. Villa was a fine fighting champion. Frankie Genaro was a splendid boxer, and Fidel LaBarba, who beat him, is a real champion. LaBarba is one of the best schooled boxers in the world, for from his start among the amateurs he has been coached by George Blake, former pupil of Harry Gilmore, and with him he has learned about boxing as Knute Rockne knows about football. There has been no chess champions among the flyweights.

The present featherweight champion, "Kid" Kaplan, is just a husky slugger, without science. He has a middieweight's fighting equipment above the waist, big body, shoulders, arms and neck, and a large square jaw that can take up punches the way a blotto absorbs ink spots. He paws and mauls and wins, but there's nothing brilliant or sensational about his winning. The same men who go to a decision with Kaplan wouldn't last more than a couple of rounds with a terrific puncher like Terry McGovern or Young Corbett, and neither would Kaplan. The Attell, Johnny Kilbane, Ben Jordan of England, George Dixon-Eddie Santry, or Johnny Dundee would bewilder him with such a shower of boxing gloves that he'd do nothing but founder.

## KANSAS IS WILLING

Rocky Kansas may last a few months as lightweight champion, there being no Benny Leonard's in sight at present. Rocky is tough, game and willing, and he might have gone a good many rounds with a lot of lightweight who have held the crown. But Jack McAuliffe would have been far too clever for him. Kid Lavigne would have met him at slugging and beaten him through speed and fury. A Frank Erne would box rings around him. A Battling Nelson would tear him down, and a Joe Gans clip him in a few rounds in spite of his strength and courage. Benny Leonard has shown what he can do to Kansas. In the welterweight class, Mickey Walker is a very good fighting champion. Mickey has qualities that make him just about as good as any man who ever held the title. He has endless courage and recuperating power. If I'd never seen Walker in a dozen other fights I'd be satisfied of that from the battle he put up against Harry Greb. Near the finish Greb had Walker dazed and weak and was raining blows on Mickey's chin. Mickey's legs bent until it looked as if he must crumple and go down, but then they slowly straightened and Mickey plunged into Greb with a furious attack that nearly turned the fight the other way. Only a man of Greb's iron strength and endurance could have lived through the body-punching Mickey gave him, especially in the last round.

## WALCOTT HARD HITTER

Of the old-time welterweights Joe Walcott was a harder hitter and more dangerous than Mickey Walker, although only an inch above five feet tall. Walcott often fought six-foot heavyweights, and beat them. Still, Tommy West beat Walcott, and so did mysterious Billy Smith, Kid Lavigne and Kid Carter and Honey Melody. Mickey might do it. Of the other welterweights Matty Matthews would outbox Mickey and give him an even fight, and so would Kid McCoy as a welterweight. Honey Melody, Billy Smith, and perhaps Jimmy Gardner, Walker outclasses the other welter champions since Gardner's time. Harry Greb is a very good middleweight champion. Of course he couldn't class for a moment with the Bob Fitzsimmons when Bob was a middleweight kink, but who would? Bob was only a middleweight when he knocked out Jim Corbett for the heavyweight championship. The original Jack Dempsey might have been too clever for Greb. Stanley Ketchel almost certainly could have beaten him. Aside from Fitzsimmons, Kid McCoy, Tommy Ryan and Stanley Ketchel were the three middleweights who might have given Greb, if fighting now. And Harry would give any one of a battle. Probably any one of the three named would have taken him, sooner or later, with a

## ROLLER HOCKEY SCHEDULE

The schedule for the Victoria and District Roller Hockey League for the season is as follows:

January 22-30 pounds, Fernwood Beavers vs. Hill's Corner Firester; 30 pounds, Rock Bay Midgets vs. Oakland Eagles; 110 pounds, Foul Bay Monarchs vs. Hill's Corner.

January 28-30 pounds, Foul Bay vs. V.I.A.A. Midgets; 90 pounds, Fernwood Beavers vs. Rock Bay Midgets; 145 pounds, Foul Bay vs. V.I.A.A. Reds.

January 30-30 pounds, Willows Canucks vs. Foul Bay; 90 pounds, Spring Ridge Aces vs. Finlayson Maroons; 145 pounds, Selkirk vs. 112th Battalion.

February 2-30 pounds, V.I.A.A. Midgets vs. Hill's Corner; 90 pounds, Oakland Eagles vs. Fernwood Beavers; 110 pounds, Willows Canucks vs. Oakland.

February 6-30 pounds, Fernwood Beavers vs. Willows Canucks; 90 pounds, Oakland Eagles vs. Foul Bay; 145 pounds, V.I.A.A. Reds vs. Belmont Eagles.

February 9-30 pounds, V. I. A. A. Midgets vs. Finlayson Maroons; 110 pounds, Oakland vs. Willows Canucks; 145 pounds, V.I.A.A. Reds vs. 112th Battalion.

February 12-30 pounds, Rock Bay Midgets vs. Willows Canucks; 90 pounds, Hill's Corner vs. Oakland Eagles; 145 pounds, Belmont Eagles vs. Selkirk.

February 16-30 pounds, Fernwood Beavers vs. Spring Ridge Aces; 90 pounds, Rock Bay Midgets vs. Finlayson Maroons; 145 pounds, Selkirk vs. Foul Bay.

February 20-30 pounds, Foul Bay vs. Rock Bay Midgets; 90 pounds, Hill's Corner Pirates vs. Willows Canucks; 110 pounds, Oakland vs. Foul Bay.

February 23-30 pounds, V.I.A.A. Midgets vs. Spring Ridge Aces; 90 pounds, Oakland Eagles vs. Willows Canucks; 145 pounds, 112th Battalion vs. Foul Bay.

February 27-30 pounds, Hill's Corner vs. Foul Bay; 90 pounds, Fernwood Beavers vs. Finlayson Maroons; 145 pounds, Belmont Eagles vs. Foul Bay.

March 2-30 pounds, V.I.A.A. Midgets vs. Fernwood Beavers; 90 pounds, Spring Ridge Aces vs. Foul Bay; 90 pounds, Hill's Corner vs. Finlayson Maroons.

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K.O. punch. In late years the middleweight class has had some of the best champions than any other division. In fact, the title "chess champion" was invented to fit the particular case of Al McCoy, who happened to land a kayo on George Chip, and never would fight a decision but for years afterward.

DEMPSEY PRETTY GOOD

In the light-heavyweights Paul Berlenbach is the class all over former champions except Bob Fitzsimmons, who was the greatest of all fighters in his time. George Gardner wouldn't have beaten Paul, and the rest of the bunch has been rather poor, except Gene Tunney as American title holder, until Gene grew out of the class. Gene might have given Paul a hard fight, as a light-heavyweight. Paul carries too many guns for the rest of the crowd.

In the heavyweight class Jack Dempsey is ranking champion of a generation, so far as we know, as he has won his fights quickly and easily. But he never met a Jim Jeffries and there's much doubt about how he would go with the iron-jawed brawler, who had the endurance to take tremendous wallop and go on fighting at an even pace for twenty rounds or more. Bob Fitzsimmons, with his tricky mind and his terrific punch, might beat Dempsey, but chances would be in his favor.

The famous champions of other days were scattered over a good many years. Perhaps as a speedster, Tex Rickard says, won't last long, for there are too many likely lads coming up the trail.

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## CY YOUNG SETS PITCHING RECORDS THAT MAY STAND FOR ALL TIME

By BILLY EVANS

The late Christy Mathewson was a remarkable pitcher. Walter Johnson is easily the most famous of the modern crop of pitchers. Yet the record of Cy Young is dotted with many extraordinary feats of pitching that will probably never be equaled, even by the great Johnson.

Young has over 500 major league victories to his credit. Johnson is the only pitcher with a chance to equal it and he is still about 100 games away.

He pitched two no-hit games. One in 1904 against the Philadelphia Athletics, the other against the New York Americans in 1908. In the Philadelphia game he pitched a perfect game.

On June 24, 1912, pitching for Cleveland against St. Louis, he beat the Browns to a sixteen-inning 3-0 tie, allowing only five hits.

The great Rube Waddell beat him in a memorable twenty-finning game on July 4, 1905. The score was 4-2. Waddell won with Philadelphia at the time, Young with the Boston Red Sox.

In the season of 1904, pitching for the Red Sox, he beat Ed. Killian, working for Detroit, 1-0, in fifteen innings.

During five seasons of his career Young won thirty or more games; his best mark being thirty-six in 1912, when he was a member of the Cleveland club, then in the National League.

In his six seasons of his remarkable major league record he won twenty-five or more games; in four, twenty or more games.

Making fifteen years of big league pitching in which he won from twenty to thirty-six games annually.

Star pitchers are easy to umpire for. There never were three fairer men to call balls and strikes for than Cy, Christy and Walter.

Well, do I recall an incident that came up in an important game at Boston some fifteen years back and how Young got me out of an embarrassing situation.

In those days Detroit and Boston were bitter rivals. With the bases filled and Sam Crawford, the Babe Ruth of those days, up, I erred on a perfect strike that would have retired the side, instead of making the count three and two.

Low Criger, catching Young, made a strenuous protest. I knew that I had misread it but remained silent while Criger got the venom out of his system. Before he finished Young walked up to the plate and yelled at Criger.

"We can't get the side out with conversation; give me the ball; I think Evans was right, the ball was too low for a strike." That silenced Criger.

The next pitch was right through the heart of the plate. Crawford hit a terrific drive to deep centre that looked good for a homerun. Imagine my feeling of satisfaction when the late Chick Stahl made one of the greatest running one-handed catches I have ever seen.

As Cy Young walked past me he smilingly remarked: "Well, I am not so good I can spot hitters like Sam Crawford an extra strike."

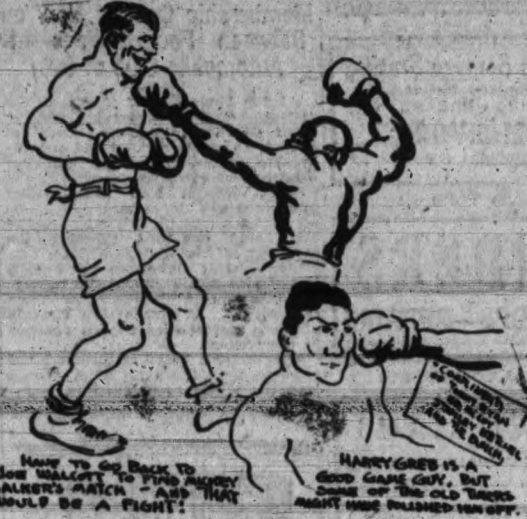
That was the only way he made it known to me that he thought I had missed one, and I certainly had.

## TOP TO BOTTOM: WALTER JOHNSON, CY YOUNG AND CHRISTY MATHEWSON.

## ANOTHER YOUNGSTER WINS

Miami, Fla., Jan. 23.—Joseph Ford, New York City youngster, yesterday defeated Walter Murray, St. Louis, one up, to win Miami's annual mid-winter amateur golf tournament over the Miami Country Club course.

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## Haymakers That Made History; When Fitzsimmons Stopped Corbett

By JOE WILLIAMS

Probably no single punch has ever been designed and executed that has changed the aspect of more ring battles than the famed "solar plexus" blow with which Bob Fitzsimmons knocked out Jim Corbett for the heavyweight championship at Carson City, Nev., March 17, 1897.

The wallop, developed after months of painstaking practice by "Rube" Robert for the sole purpose of putting the champion on the canvas, has come down through the years, leaving its trail of wrecked hopes and vanished titles. As a history-making sleep-producer, the "solar plexus" punch has never had an equal.

For years Dan Hickey, Bob's manager, had been drilling him in the mysteries of a new body blow. Hickey was familiar with Corbett's great left hand. When the champion delivered this punch he turned his body slightly to the left. For a fraction of a second his body was open for a left. Hour after hour Hickey used Corbett's punch on Bob, the Australian meeting it by shifting, pulling his right side back and driving in his left. It was the one punch Bob meant to use to take the title from Corbett.

The fight began cautiously. Corbett, the master boxer, was reaching the lanky Australian repeatedly with jabs to the nose and mouth. Once, in the sixth, Fitz slipped to his knees and took the count of nine while he cleared his nose and mouth of blood. But he was not seriously hurt. Corbett knew it and was cautious in his approach.

They are still debating whether Fitzsimmons was really groggy or merely shamming when he sprawled limply on his seat at the end of the round. The champion must have thought his distress real. He chatted confidently with his handlers.

The bell rang and Bob leaped from his seat as if shot from a gun, caught Corbett before he had hardly risen from his seat and forced him along the ropes. Fitz had just begun to fight.

Corbett, the champion, the greatest boxer the ring had known, called upon all his skill. He uppercutted and Bob pulled his head back laughing.

Some golfers quit game for a time when they break their favorite club.

Golfers and ball players are perhaps the most superstitious athletes in all the world.

The golfer cherishes his pet clubs just as much as the ball player does his favorite bats.

Every big league player, regardless of whether he is a 200 or a 400 batter, has one particular bat which he believes has more base hits in it than any other bat.

Babe Ruth has perhaps three bats out of fifty that belong to him which are his favorites. Woe to any other individual who tries to use them.

Some golfers, who, after breaking some choice club, have been known to quit the links for several weeks, sore at the world.

The recent stunt pulled by Jim Barnes brings to mind the limit to which many athletes are awayed by superstition.

Barnes, while playing in a four-some recently at Pinehurst, accidentally broke his pet driver. This club played a great part in the sensational victory scored by him in the British open this season.

A GOOD STORY

Now Barnes is not inclined to be emotional, but the story is that when the game's greatest hitters, and beyond repair, he boarded the first train for New York, didn't even finish the game.

Possibly the story is just a press agent stunt for the British open champion. Even if it is, it's a good one. There is a probability that Jim really intended to return to New York to spend his Christmas vacation.

However, one is inclined to believe that Barnes was so upset by the loss of the club that he sought to forget golf for a time by getting North to where the game couldn't be played.

In this connection, one may recall what was at the time an unpleasant situation, but is now rather humorous, due to my rolling out a certain bat with which Babe Ruth had been hitting them a mile.

Sam Crawford, in his day an American League star and one of the game's greatest hitters, conceived the idea of making a laminated bat of four pieces.

A PERFECT BAT

The thought was to have the bat made of four pieces of perfect wood. Every bat made from one piece of wood always has one or more flaws in it. The laminated bat was perfect, practically unbreakable.

Crawford sent one of them to Ruth to experiment with. The Babe immediately started on a batting rampage. While the bat may have helped some, it was really just one of Ruth's regular stunts.

Objection was made to the bat on the ground that it was not made out of one piece as called for by the rules, also that a foreign substance

was used in putting the bat together, which is not permissible. President Johnson ruled the bat out. At the time Ruth and Heilmann were tied for the batting leadership. Detroit was playing New York at the time. Ruth went

## Constant Blowing Of Whistle Hurts Basketball Games

Too Much Officiating Robs Game of Its Greatest Thrills, Comments Evans

Action is What Spectators Want; Some Referees See Altogether Too Much

By BILLY EVANS

Basketball is a great game, but it can be spoiled by too much officiating.

The thrill in basketball is provided by the intensive play that features the sport until the referee's whistle suspends action.

With the blowing of the whistle the crowd relaxes with the players, and it takes some snappy work to get them back to the high pitch they were in prior to the sounding of the whistle.

It is an easy matter to let the players get too strenuous if the official is too lax. In the heat of action roughhouse play may also creep into the game if the officials do not have the players under control.

On the other hand I have witnessed any number of games that have been slowed up badly by the officials being far too technical.

There is a happy medium that preserves action yet doesn't give the players too much leeway. Such a condition calls for the application of common sense to many situations that arise rather than being too technical.

I have seen several games in the American Basketball League this year, which is regarded as the best.

On the whole the officiating has been excellent, yet if a criticism is possible, I would say the officials have adhered too closely to the rules.

Aside from umpiring baseball, I have in the early days of my career done considerable basketball work, also served at hockey, roller polo and football.

In all branches of sport in which I have officiated, my prime object was to retain the action of the game to the limit. Preserve action and eliminate delays has been my motto.

In basketball, will officials get out of the game only as a last resort. If it can get around the argument and keep the player in the game without being lax about discipline, I always seek to do it.

In a recent basketball game played at Cleveland between Washington and Cleveland, two of the leaders, something like forty fouls were called, twenty-seven points being scored that way. It was a great game, but it would have been much better if a few less fouls had been called.

The proper time to break boxes in a clinch is a tough task for a fight referee. Solving the problem appears to be equally hard for the basketball official.

Basketball is a constant fight for the possession of the ball. It is impossible to try for a basket unless you have the ball in your possession.

Thus it is apparent that two or more players will often have their hands on the ball in an effort to gain possession. On this point it seems that many officials are too quick on the whistle.

The rule says that two or more men must have a firm grip on the ball. Mere touching of the ball appears to be regarded in some quarters as a firm grip.

It doesn't do any great harm to permit the players to have a slight tug or two at the ball before sounding the whistle which stops all action.

Jack Sheridan, who taught me what I know about the umpire's game, once said to me in reference to handling certain situations:

"See the things you should see and not those you should not see."

In basketball it is possible to be too technical and the fans like to see action rather than to listen to the constant blowing of a whistle.

## Greatest of Rising Stars in Golfdom

Texas, producer of great ball players of the Tris Spenser-Roger Hornsby type, now comes to the front with a golfing genius, Harry Cooper, of Dallas.

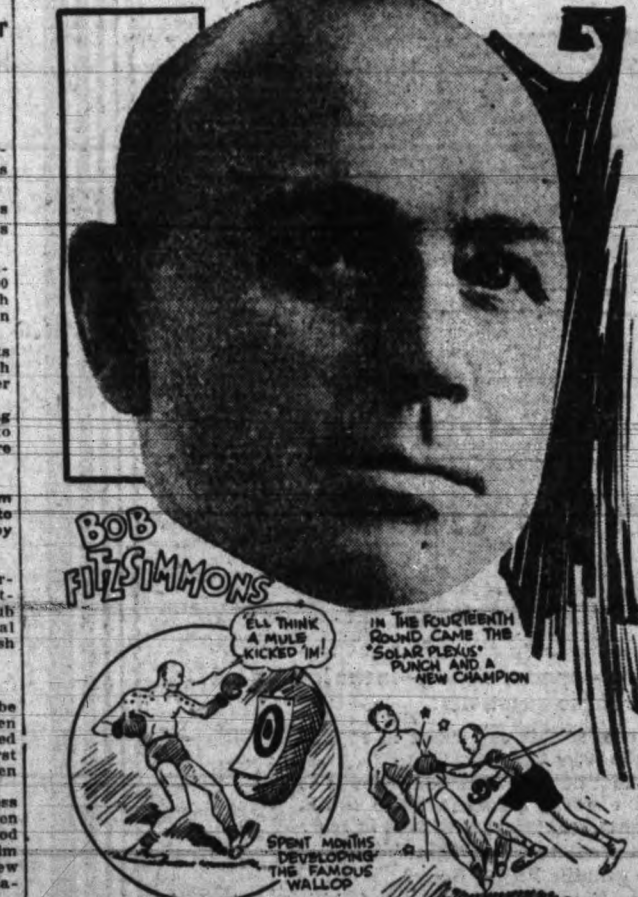
Cooper, who for several years has been knocking at the door of the truly greats in golf, has finally arrived. The other day he surprised the golfing world by winning the \$10,000 Los Angeles open with the remarkable score of 278.

He played the first 11 holes in 73, two under par for the course at the Los Angeles Country Club, then turned in a brilliant 68, followed by a 74 and climaxed by a phenomenal 67. He topped a club already famous for its outstanding stars of the game.

Now, just twenty-one years of age, he is just about the most colorful of all the golfers. Built along the lines of Gene Harzen, short and stocky, he plays a somewhat similar game to the former open champion. He is a free, fierce hitter and plays a bold game to the greens, just the type to break records.

Cooper is from getting stuck. His father, Bob Cooper, a golfing enthusiast of the Old Country and a night club player in his day, modestly predicts his son will be a champion.

Cooper was born in London, England and learned his game in Hamilton, Ontario.





## WRONG TO RACE ENGINE

Racing the engine to put it into working condition quicker on a cold day is now recognized to be a fallacy. The faster the engine runs in the early stages the greater vol-

ume of cold air is drawn into the cylinders, the more cold air is fanned over the engine and the quicker the exhaust gases are expelled. The quickest way to warm up is to run the engine at a moderate rate of speed with the spark advanced just enough to keep it from stalling.

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## AUTOMOBILE NEWS

AUTO CLUB OUT  
AFTER MEMBERS

Membership Contest Now on  
Between Four Offices of  
Automobile Club of B.C.

At the beginning of this year the manager of the membership department of the Automobile Club of British Columbia commenced a membership campaign between the four branches of the club, namely, Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster and Nanaimo. A certain quota was set for each branch, and daily records are being compiled showing the standing of the various offices.

The contest comprises the enrolling of new members and the collecting of renewals of present members of the club. At present the Victoria office is maintaining a good position in the contest.

The Victoria board of directors are anxious that the local club should lead the whole association in membership this year, and make a strong appeal to local motorists to raise the value of the club to them and to join, which will assist in promoting the best motoring conditions. The directors hope that motorists will join and obtain all the advantages supplied by the club.

R. R. Webb, the local secretary, and his staff are exerting every effort to make this a record month.

NEW CHEVROLETS  
GROWING POPULAR

The new Chevrolet has proven the most popular product of this make ever produced. Indeed since its introduction its sales, month by month, have been an unbroken procession of record on record. It is a car thoroughly and painstakingly re-engineered from end to end, top to bottom and across. Its much improved appearance is more than equalled by its better mechanics and performance.

All bodies are by Fisher and are Dico finished, the closed-top having the patented V. V. one-piece windshield with regulator and automatic wiper. The closed-top is a full five-passenger model. Balloon tires are standard on all closed models, with disc wheels, on the coupe and sedan. Cowl lights are standard also.

Among the eighty-three distinct new features might be mentioned the generous semi-elliptical front and rear springs of chrome vanadium steel—the combined front and rear spring length is thirty-eight per cent of the car's wheelbase; much refined engine with baffled cooling to ensure equality of thermal conditions in all cylinders and ingenious intake manifold that provides uniform distribution of gas, easy starting, instant responsiveness and power balance, new more rugged, one-piece banjo type housing rear end; stronger more rigid frame with five sturdy transverse members, larger and much more efficient automatically equalized brakes; much stronger, smoother acting clutch; fuel tank rigidly mounted in rear under steel shield.

## LESSONS SKIDDING

Better traction and less chance of skidding will result from the plan of using the tires with the rougher tread on the right-hand side of the car. If there is any snow or ice at all on the streets or road it will be nearer the sides and thus along the path traveled by the right wheels.

## RETARDING UNNECESSARY

The old rule about retarding the spark when cranking a cold engine does not apply to semi-automatic advance type of ignition control. Even though the spark lever is set in what seems to be the fully advanced position on some of the newer cars, the spark does not fully advance until the engine is running fast. Obviously the engine cannot run fast when just starting. A backward from pre-ignition thus is avoided automatically.

## Driving Tips

## How to Use the Brakes

How many brakes do you think you have on your car? I believe nine out of ten drivers will answer, two. This is wrong, for there are three brakes available on every car. First, there is the hand or emergency brake; second, the foot or service brake; third, the engine brake. It is true that few drivers ever use the third brake or even know that the engine can be used to stop the car as well as the foot. It is a fact, however, that under certain conditions the engine makes a very effective brake and should be used as such.

Taking the hand-brake first. This should be used principally as an emergency brake, the foot brake being used as the service brake. The hand brake should be used principally for holding the car stationary when standing. When descending a long hill the foot brake should be used for a short period then the hand brake applied to allow the foot brake to cool off.

The foot brake should always be applied some little distance before you reach the spot where you intend to stop. Do not wait until you are within a few feet of the stopping point then jam on the brake. This is a habit indulged in by a great many drivers and costs real money in the shape of increased tire bills. Apply the foot brake with a gentle pressure for a few seconds then release for a second, then apply again, alternately depressing and releasing the brake pedal in out. Depress for say five seconds then release for a second. Apply just sufficient pressure to retard the speed of the car gradually.

If the brake is applied harshly the friction lining glazes and fails to hold properly. When you near the spot where you intend stopping close the throttle and apply the brake in dabs of the foot, applying a final pressure to bring the car to a complete stop. In this way you will not lock the wheels or skid and injure the tires.

Always test the brakes as soon as you get out of the garage by applying the foot brake for an hour then throwing out the clutch and applying the brakes. If they do not pull you up promptly have them inspected by a good mechanic at once. If your brakes squeal every time they are applied, they are glazed or burned or that the brakes are not adjusted properly. A glazed lining can be remedied by removing the band and roughing up with the edge of a file.

If the rear wheels show signs that grease is leaking from the axle shafts, they should be removed at least once a month and the brake lining washed with kerosene. It is safer to have a good mechanic fit new felt washers on the shaft and cure the trouble. Keep all brake connections well lubricated so that the brake action is quite free. If any of the connections are stiff, it may cause your brakes to bind or drag.

The engine can be used as a very efficient brake when descending a hill. If the hill is at all steep, the engine should always be used as an additional safeguard. Many accidents have occurred because the brake lining became heated and glazed descending a long hill with the result that the brakes failed and could not stop the car from gathering speed. On a steep hill, always change into second gear, shut off the ignition and your engine will then act as a very efficient brake. The combined braking from the engine in second gear and a foot brake in even reasonable condition will enable you to stop your car on any hill. If the hill is very steep, it is a good idea to open the throttle fairly wide as this will allow air to enter the cylinders and aid the braking effect.

STUDEBAKER CLOSED  
CAR PRICES ARE CUT

Another achievement in Studebaker "one-profit" policy is the announcement received by R. J. Jameson, local dealer, of a marked reduction on Studebaker sedans.

Announcing this new price schedule, Mr. Jameson declared: "This is the third time since January 1, 1925, that Studebaker has reduced prices, thereby passing on to purchasers the savings resulting from 'one-profit' manufacture. This latest announcement represents a big reduction on each model listed."

The Studebaker policy of adding every improvement as soon as developed, instead of waiting for an annual announcement, insures that every car is up to date in every particular. This policy also protects purchasers against artificial deflation of resale value, due to production of annual models.

NEW STAR SIX IN  
LOW PRICE FIELD

An interesting addition to the field of low-priced sixes is the Star six, which has just been placed on the market by Durant Motors Inc.

Prominent among the features of the new car are its 40-horsepower Continental motor, its low and graceful body lines and its spring rate of over 150 inches per square foot. For the present, body types are confined to the closed design and consist of a coach, seating five, a coupe, a four-door sedan and a four-door sedan, each design for two but readily accommodating three.

All bodies are by Hayes-Hunt. A five-passenger touring car on the six chassis will be added in the near future.

All Star six bodies are finished in full Duco.

Full pre-feed lubrication and silent front-end chain drive are features of the engine. Its hot-spot manifold fuel economizer, exact carburetor timing and large valves insure easy starting and make for exceptional performance.

Exhausting tests, the manufacturer states, have indicated a gasoline economy of better than twenty miles to the gallon, low oil consumption, and a range in high gear of from thirty to thirty miles an hour. The frame has deep side rails for strength, is braced by six cross members and kicks up over the rear axle to permit low body-mounting. The transmission is anchored to sub-frame to protect its alignment with the clutch, while three universal joints allow the drive shaft to follow the road.

Rear view mirror, automatic windshield wiper, a dome light in the coach, heavy-spoked artillery-type wheels with natural finish, and 4.85 balloon tires are standard equipment.

The new Star six is a running machine of the improved Star four, which, with new bodies, becomes of greater value than ever before.

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NEW CHOKE COILS  
HELP RADIO SETS

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RADIO NEWS AND BROADCASTS  
APPRECIATIVE CARDS  
ARE BEING RECEIVED BY  
STOCKER'S NIGHT BIRDS

Letters Received From Points Between Alaska and Mexico; Night Birds Prove Popular With Distant Radio Fans.

Many cards and letters have been received by Stocker's Reliable Order of Night Birds from different localities expressing appreciation of the semi-monthly broadcast entertainments over station CFCT. These messages cover a very wide territory including some from the Eastern States, the Southern States, the prairie and Alaska. One dated December 19 came from Wilcox, Penn., another of the same date came from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. A considerable number came from California. The following from Phoenix is self-explanatory:

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Stocker's Reliable Transfer

Victoria, B.C., Canada.

Gentlemen—Permit me to thank you for your postcard initiating me into Stocker's Reliable Night Birds. We are Canadians from Ontario and certainly enjoy getting your programmes.

I wish to thank you and tell you how much we enjoyed the five hour broadcast of Stevenson's chocolates received from our record long distance reception of your concert. They are certainly of outstanding quality and doubly enjoyable to us since we come from Canada.

FRED W. ARNOLD:  
Other cards and letters received by Stocker's Reliable Order of Night Birds are: Mrs. Margaret Kirk, Box 46, Clima, Sask.; Sydney A. Porteous, Carlyle, Sask.; I. Kindblad, Estonia, Sask.; John M. McLeod, 19th Street, Edmonton, G. A. Murray, Yellowknife, Sask.; J. Bracey, Verwood, Sask.; Harold Fox, Box 81, Craik, Sask.; George Allan, Oliver, B.C.; Mrs. A. E. Miller, 1738 Great Highway, San Francisco, Cal.; Edgar Soreman, 224 West 41st Street, Drive, Los Angeles; Frank Vincent, Box 879, North Battleford, Sask.; Ida Leary, 1001 Fraser, B.C.; Kinley Hancock, P.O. Box 254, Santa Ana, Cal.; Tom Donaghy, 156 North Gower Street, Los Angeles; Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ketchikan, Alaska; Mr. Alva Lyons, 822 West 26th Street, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Alace Wahlstrand, Bellingham, Wash.; T. Pittman, Box 54, Ranverly, Alberta.

The latest list of cards and letters received by Station CFCT Victoria are as follows: Stiles Martin, 218 Dundas, Victoria, B.C.; Harry C. Peterson, 2520 Iron Street, Bellingham, Wash.; Thomas F. Hawthorne, 509 McKinley Ave., Leydon, Donald, Victoria, B.C.; W. J. MacDonald, 1001 Fraser, B.C.; Samples Hotel, Terminal Island, Terminal, Cal.; Mrs. A. B. Bentley, Box 191, Edmonds, Wash.; A. J. Pooley, 1911 Republican, Seattle, Wash.; J. W. Bradley, Oatman, Arizona.

The Victoria Radio Club is co-operating with the Dominion Government in a campaign to trace and eliminate sources of radio interference in Greater Victoria. All licensed radio owners will next week receive from the club a circular letter, setting out the scope of the work entrusted to the club by the Dominion Radio Telegraph Department, together with an invitation to aid by submitting data as to interference being noted recently.

To facilitate action by listeners-in, the circular letter will be accompanied by a stamped postcard, addressed to the Victoria Radio Club, which sets out specific questions. Prompt return of these cards, with the queries fully replied to, will be followed by classification into districts and types of trouble noted, the results being marked upon district maps and supplied to the Government.

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Value of Small  
Rheostats

One of the advantages of small rheostats is that the turns of wire are close together and smooth operation results. They can be used in small spaces between other pieces of apparatus on the panel. The main disadvantage has been that a short contact arm is apt to be stiff and make a stiff-working piece of apparatus. A contact arm should be springy so that it will hit every turn of wire to make good contact, but must not offer too much friction as the arm moves over the wires.

KGW, Portland, to  
Have Silent Night

In keeping with the national observance of the International Radio Silent Week, the KGW management has announced its final decision to observe the periods designated as official silent hours.

DAILY RADIO  
PROGRAMMES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

CFCT (329.5) Victoria, B.C.  
10-12 p.m.—Ivo Henderson's "Crystal Garden" orchestra.  
WJJD (370.5) Moosehart, Ill.  
6-9 p.m.—Special hour.  
10-11 p.m.—Feature hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; studio programme.  
12-1 p.m.—"The Valley of the Kings" hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; Jack Nelson.

WLS (344.6) Chicago, Ill.  
7-10 p.m.—Revue programme.  
WLV (422.3) Cincinnati, Ohio  
7-10 p.m.—"The Valley of the Kings" hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; Jack Nelson.  
KFWA (381) Ogden, Utah  
9-10 p.m.—"The Valley of the Kings" hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; Jack Nelson.  
KPN (233) Long Beach, Cal.  
6-8 p.m.—"The Valley of the Kings" hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; Jack Nelson.

WOW (526) Omaha, Neb.  
9-10 p.m.—"The Valley of the Kings" hour. Garod studio, Palmer House. Palmer House Victorians; Jack Nelson.  
WOC (483.4) Davenport, Iowa  
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Taking the hand-brake first. This should be used principally as an emergency brake, the foot brake being used as the service brake. The hand brake should be used principally for holding the car stationary when standing. When descending a long hill the foot brake should be used for a short period then the hand brake applied to allow the foot brake to cool off.

The foot brake should always be applied some little distance before you reach the spot where you intend to stop. Do not wait until you are within a few feet of the stopping point then jam on the brake. This is a habit indulged in by a great many drivers and costs real money in the shape of increased tire bills. Apply the foot brake with a gentle pressure for a few seconds then release for a second, then apply again, alternately depressing and releasing the brake pedal in out. Depress for say five seconds then release for a second. Apply just sufficient pressure to retard the speed of the car gradually.

If the brake is applied harshly the friction lining glazes and fails to hold properly. When you near the spot where you intend stopping close the throttle and apply the brake in dabs of the foot, applying a final pressure to bring the car to a complete stop. In this way you will not lock the wheels or skid and injure the tires.

Always test the brakes as soon as you get out of the garage by applying the foot brake for an hour then throwing out the clutch and applying the brakes. If they do not pull you up promptly have them inspected by a good mechanic at once. If your brakes squeal every time they are applied, they are glazed or burned or that the brakes are not adjusted properly. A glazed lining can be remedied by removing the band and roughing up with the edge of a file.

If the rear wheels show signs that grease is leaking from the axle shafts, they should be removed at least once a month and the brake lining washed with kerosene. It is safer to have a good mechanic fit new felt washers on the shaft and cure the trouble. Keep all brake connections well lubricated so that the brake action is quite free. If any of the connections are stiff, it may cause your brakes to bind or drag.

The engine can be used as a very efficient brake when descending a hill. If the hill is at all steep, the engine should always be used as an additional safeguard. Many accidents have occurred because the brake lining became heated and glazed descending a long hill with the result that the brakes failed and could not stop the car from gathering speed. On a steep hill, always change into second gear, shut off the ignition and your engine will then act as a very efficient brake. The combined braking from the engine in second gear and a foot brake in even reasonable condition will enable you to stop your car on any hill. If the hill is very steep, it is a good idea to open the throttle fairly wide as this will allow air to enter the cylinders and aid the braking effect.

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tary and a committee to make arrangements for the reunion was elected as follows: Major Spurgin, chairman; Messrs. Palmer, Hansen, Farmer, Cassidy and McIndoe.

## TIMBER WOLVES SET DATE FOR REUNION

Saturday, February 6 was set as the tentative date for the reunion banquet and smoker of the 102nd Battalion which was decided upon at an enthusiastic meeting of ex-Timber Wolves held under the chairmanship of Major K. H. Spurgin. There were nearly fifty ex-102nd men at the committee meeting and ex-Q.M.S. Jack Cassidy announced that since the suggestion to hold a reunion had been offered he had received nearly 100 names of veterans who had expressed their intention of attending. Others present at the meeting gave names of former Timber Wolves who planned to attend the reunion and it was estimated that there would be over 150 at the function. The invitation was made to include every former member of the Battalion and of the B.C. Horse.

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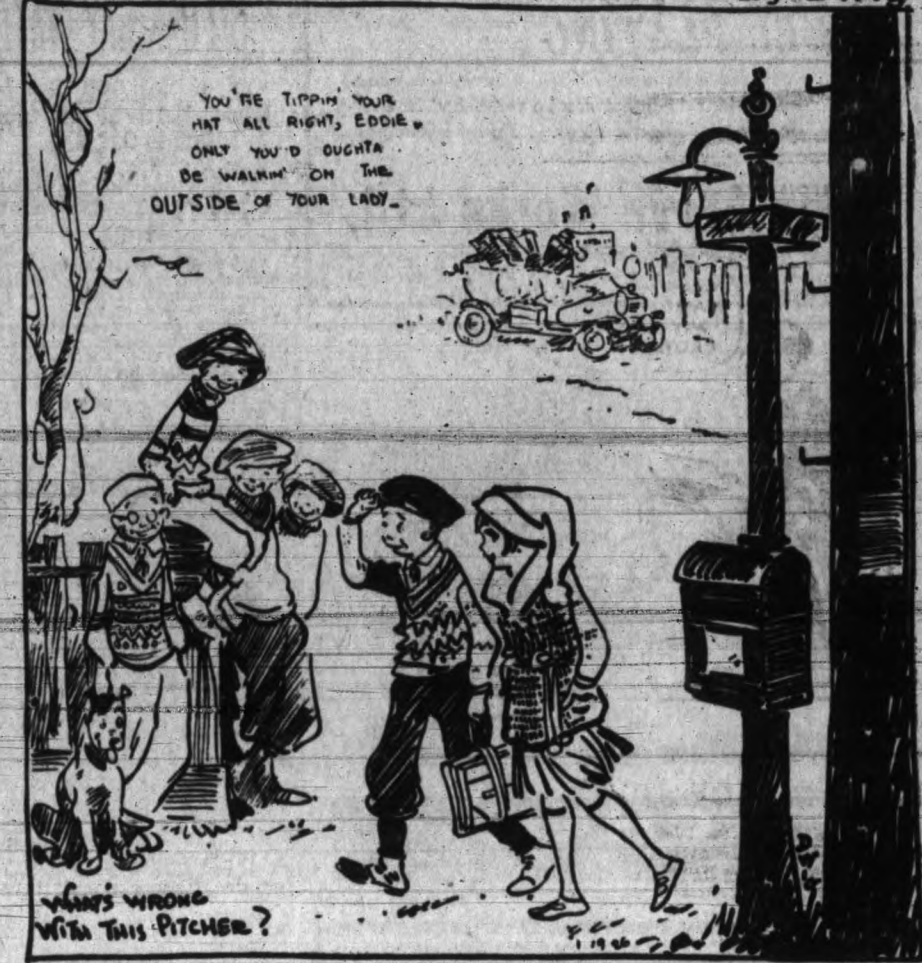
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## A THOUGHTLESS WIFE

OR

## PLAYING WITH FIRE

By MILDRED BARBOUR

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"You wouldn't—you couldn't—"

She tried to form words with her dry lips.

He laughed shortly.

"Oh, couldn't I? Try me and see."

"But yourself," she whispered, stricken. "Haven't you pride for yourself? Would you voluntarily make yourself a correspondent, admit your guilt publicly by your own act?"

"Why not?" Hill shrugged. "It doesn't ruin a man to be a correspondent in a divorce suit, especially where the lady is as lovely as you."

His bow was mocking. "As a matter of fact, it gives a chap quite a bit of cachet. The man never pays in a case of this kind. He becomes increasingly popular and can hardly count his dinner invitations, especially from beautiful ladies who feel that their husbands don't understand them," he ended with a chuckle.

Charlotte made a helpless gesture. "How can you be so despicable?"

"He turned to her suddenly and his eyes were hard and glittering."

"Because it's my turn in the little game you tried to play with me. I hold all the cards. But you shall pay for a re-deal."

Again, Charlotte moved her hands despairingly.

"What is it you want?" she asked dully.

A THREAT

As calmly and lightly as if he were relating an idle tale to while away the midsummer afternoon, Lawrence Hill told Charlotte what he wanted from her.

"In the first place," he said, "you must allow the impression to prevail in your circle of acquaintances that you and I are engaged and that we are only waiting until sufficient time has elapsed for you to obtain an absolute divorce from your husband and marry me. That will make everything perfectly conventional and proper."

"You will also secure me extree to your set. You know, I rather like your friends. They're the nicest people I've met since I returned from abroad. But I have other acquaintances too. I'm a queer sort of chap. I take my friends where I find them. The upper crust bore me frightfully at times and I seek relief with a far less exalted class. It's a good-hearted class, but some of its actions would turn your fine friends' hair grey with astonishment."

"Now," he continued easily, lighting another cigarette, "as my fiancé, it will be very gracious of you to accept these friends of mine on the lower order and entertain them occasionally here. They'll like your house. I like it myself." His calmly appraising glance swept the rambling stone dwelling with its quaint windows and gay, little balconies dripping ivy like lace, its terrace with the stone balustrade and the garden in the luxuriant bloom of midsummer. "It's an ideal place for the noisy parties that our estimable police force considers it a duty to interrupt in metropolitan limits."

Charlotte could not have spoken if she had been able to find adequate words. Anger and fear were choking her.

"Another small detail with which I may have to trouble you at times is this," he went on lightly. "As you may or may not know, I make most of my money through tips on stock. Sometimes they're good. Sometimes I lose—though I rather fancy I shall now, since I shall probably come much in contact with your friends, the Fenways, that I'll be more likely to obtain accurate tips from the

estimable Dick without his really knowing what I'm about. He's not too bright, except in his gambling. Now the point is that when I need financial assistance, I need it badly; and—quickly. You will, of course, see that I have what I want when I want it?"

Charlotte's hands were twisting helplessly in her lap.

"You beast!" burst from her tortured lips.

He laughed, according her an ironical bow.

"You may characterize me as you please in our private tête-à-tête, but it may be well to school your tongue and guard your expression against the times when we appear together in public for your supposed to be devoted to me, you know."

"How can you be so low, so despicable?" she moaned.

"Not at all, my lovely Charlotte," he protested. "I am merely being honest. Instead of trying to trick you, I am telling you straight-forwardly just how bad I intend to be. I could pretend to sympathize with you over the loss of your marital security; I could pretend to be in love with you and finally persuade you to get a divorce from Manning and I could marry you. I'd be getting, then, all the things I've now openly asked for. Which method would you rather have?"

She made no answer, staring dully out over the sunlit garden.

"You see," he said lightly, "I am more frank and honest than you were. You had intended to play a charming little game of flirtation with me, a safe game from your haven of domestic protection. I couldn't have mated to you if I had fallen madly in love with you and had wrecked myself. You wouldn't have cared. You would have had your fun which was all you were looking for. But, unfortunately for you, your hand was called. You lost your game. And your bluff is over."

He reached out a lazy hand and wheeled the tea cart within arm's reach.

"Aren't you going to offer me tea?" she asked. "I see there's still some cakes left and the teapot is warm."

Charlotte rose stumbingly to her feet.

"You will have to go now. I must think. I must be alone."

He rose, too, and took her wrist in his clasp, even though she winced away from him.

"Remember this, Charlotte," he said harshly. "I might have asked for more. I might have asked for yourself. And I think you'd yield rather than face the disgrace that I can bring upon you even yet. But I don't ask that. I won't claim even the privileges of a fiancé when we are alone." A sneer suddenly twisted his handsome mouth. "When I kiss a woman; not a pretty awdust doll who's afraid of burning her dainty fingers."

When he had gone, Charlotte went slowly into the house and upstairs to her room.

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## PA'S SON-IN-LAW

OH, ISN'T THIS PROVOKING? MR. MCGWEE, THE GENTLEMAN I HIRED TO TEACH YOU ETIQUETTE HAS GONE! HE SAYS IN THIS NOTE HE LEFT FOR ME, THAT THE TASK WAS IMPOSSIBLE!

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## CITY POCKETS LOSS ON OAK BAY WATER

Sum of \$35,000 Dropped Since 1916 at Six-cent Rate to Oak Bay

Arbitration, City is Confident, Would Increase Its Present Terms

Approximately \$35,000, the difference between the cost of production by the city and its sale price to Oak Bay, has been the loss experienced by Victoria on its water agreement with the neighboring municipality since the year 1916, it was stated by Water Commissioner F. M. Preston today.

In 1924 the city was giving water to Oak Bay at a price of six cents per 1,000 cubic feet, whereas the cost of the water to the city itself was nine cents without standing charges and depreciation. At the first of this year the five-year agreement held with the city ran out and Oak Bay was notified that its water would cost eleven cents per 1,000 without prejudice to any subsequent discussion on the situation.

The Oak Bay Council has appointed Reeve Herbert Anscomb and Councillors E. C. Hayward and A. D. Crease as a committee to take up water problems with the city. Under the existing plan Oak Bay has the right to proceed to arbitration as to the cost of its water, but the city officials make no secret of the fact that they would welcome such a course with every assurance of having the eleven cents now asked raised further.

The city points out the city engineer, has the right to a return of its cost of production, including depreciation and other standing charges, and in addition can ask a fair profit on its investment. The eleven-cent rate now asked would suffer an upward revision if arbitration were to take place, the city is confident, though willing to meet Oak Bay and place the figures before its committee to see for themselves. The \$35,000 loss sustained by the city in dealing water out to Oak Bay under the old rates has been written off, and in the present arrangement no effort has been made to seek a recovery of this sum from the neighboring municipality.

## HEALTH CENTRE NOW COMES UNDER COUNCIL CONTROL

Saanich Council Assumes Direct Responsibility For Administration

The Saanich War Memorial Health Centre will be taken under the direct control of the Municipal Council, with the health committee of the council acting temporarily to obtain the views of the Provincial Health Department and the Saanich School Board. The new authority will take over direction of affairs on February 1.

With only Councillor Hagan dissenting, the council last night adopted a recommendation to this effect from Reeve Macneil. Councillors Crouch of Ward Seven, Vantrough of Ward Three and Kirkham of Ward One believed this course will meet criticisms voiced by placing responsibility for the institution upon elected representatives of the people. Councillor Crouch hoped to see the Health Centre placed under the control of an elected directorate before many years.

Councillor Stubbs of Ward Four supported transfer of control to the health committee of the council, but limited his approval to temporary authority pending submission to the council of financial and other important matters of policy.

Councillor Oldfield of Ward Five believed that the recent referendum had been given many "aye" votes which were not desirous of terminating health services, but were expressions of a desire for lower burdens on the taxpayer.

Councillor Hagan regarded the referendum as incomplete until the rejected ballots have been examined by the council. He believed a majority favored the closure of the centre, and should be accorded action to that end.

### ONLY AN OPINION

Reeve Macneil pointed out that the referendum was not to be classed as an equity with a money by-law, being only an expression of opinion by all the voters. Conversely, the health centre had been built on the authority of a two-thirds vote limited to ratepayers. "With a referendum majority of three, nine, or any other number, I should not like to close an institution having such authority, whereas in fact, we find this referendum is a tie," declared the Reeve.

Returning Officer Sewell presented an official report showing the vote

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## SAANICH COUNCIL PREPARES TO CUT LAND VALUATIONS

Councillor Kirkham Asks For Details as to Agricultural Land Valuations

The first sound of the tocsin to rally an attack on the assessed value of farm land in Saanich was made by Councillor Kirkham last night on the first business session of the Saanich Council, when he requested Clerk and Assessor Sewell to supply the councillors with the following information:

1. Assessed value of agricultural land in lots of three acres or more, used for agricultural purposes.
2. Improvements on same.
3. Non-agricultural lands and improvements on same.
4. Tax sale properties in possession of the corporation, agricultural lands and improvements thereon.
5. Small parcels of land held by the corporation and improvements on same.
6. All statistical information which will assist the council in solving the taxation problem.

Reeve Macneil considered that a

## REGIMENTAL ACTIVITIES

Brigade Orders—5th (B.C.) Coast

Brigade, Canadian Artillery, Lieut.

Col. G. J. Harris, commanding.

School of Instruction—There will

be a school of instruction for junior

officers commencing Tuesday, Janu-

ary 26, at 5 p.m. All officers are re-

quested to attend.

All non-commissioned officers of

the brigade are requested to take

at the Armories, Bay Street, on

Tuesday, February 2, at 5 p.m., to

undergo a course of instruction.

R. F. CASTLE, Lt.-Adj.

## Shaw Admits He Is the First Author To Understand Joan of Arc, France's Heroine

British Writer Says All Others Have Been Wrong in Estimates of "Queerest Fish of Middle Ages"



GEORGE BERNARD SHAW

HO was the first writer that ever understood Joan of Arc.

The first author really to understand France's canonized Amazon is George Bernard Shaw. With his usual cynicism, he admits it himself, and then proceeds to justify the soft impeachment with that air of candor and sanity which recalls nothing so much as the persuasive method of Charles Darwin.

This forms one of the themes of the brilliant preface to Shaw's most recent work for the stage, a chronicle play in six scenes and an epilogue, entitled "Saint Joan."

According to Shaw, to understand Joan's history it is not enough to understand her character; you must understand her environment as well. That Mark Twain should have broken

down on his misunderstanding is natural enough, he holds, and explains that the "Innocent Abroad," who saw the lovely churches of the Middle Ages without a throb of emotion, author of "A Yankee at the Court of King Arthur," in which the heroes and heroines of medieval chivalry are guys seen through the eyes of a street Arab, was clearly out of court from the beginning.

"Mark Twain's Joan," continues Shaw, "skirted the ground, and with as many petticoats as Noah's wife in a toy ark, is an attempt to combine Bayard with Esther Summerson from 'Bleak House' into an unimpeachable American school teacher in armor. Like Esther Summerson, she makes her creator ridiculous, and yet, being the work of a man of genius remains a credible human goody-goody in spite of her creator's valuation. It is the description rather than the valuation which is wrong. Andrews Lang and Mark Twain are equally determined to make Joan a beautiful and most ladylike Victorian; but both of them recognized and insist on her capacity for leadership, though the Scot's pilot is less romantic about it than the Mississippi pilot. But then Lang was by lifelong professional habit, a critic or biographer rather than a biographer, whereas Mark Twain writes his biography frankly in the form of a romance."

The first English treatment of Joan of Arc occurs in the first page of the Shakespearean, or pseudo-Shakespearean, trilogy of "Henry VI" in which the maid is one of the leading characters. "This portrait of Joan," Shaw avers, "is not more authentic than the descriptions in the London papers of George Washington in 1789, of Napoleon in 1803, of the German Crown Prince in 1917, or of Lenin in 1917. It ends in mere scurrility."

The impression made by it is that the playwright, having begun by an attempt to make Joan a beautiful and romantic figure, was told by his scandalized company that English patriotism would never stand a sympathetic representation of a French conqueror of English troops, and that unless he at once introduced all the old charges against Joan of being a sorceress and a harlot, and assumed her to be guilty of them all, his play could not be produced.

"When we jump over two centuries to Schiller, we find 'Die Jungfrau Von Orleans' drowned in a witch's caldron of raging romance. Schiller's Joan has not a single point of contact with the real Joan, nor indeed with any mortal women that ever walked the earth. There is really nothing to be said of his play but that it is not about Joan at all, and can hardly be said to pretend to be; for he makes her die on the battlefield, finding her burning unbearable."

"Before Schiller came Voltaire, who burlesqued Homer in a mock epic called 'La Pucelle.' It is the fashion to dismiss this with virtuous indignation as an obscene libel; and

I certainly cannot defend it against the charge of extravagant indecorum. But its purpose was not to depict Joan, but to kill with ridicule everything that Voltaire righteously hated in the institutions and fashions of his day. He made Joan ridiculous, but not contemptible nor (comparatively) unchaste; and as he also made Homer and St. Peter and St. Denis and the brave Lancelot ridiculous, and the other heroines of the poem very unchaste indeed, he may be said to have let Joan off very easily."

Quicherat's publication in 1841 of the reports of Joan's trial and rehabilitation placed the subject on a new footing. Shaw proceeds. Typical products were the histories of Mark Twain and Andrews Lang. Later on, Anatole France reacted against this wave of enthusiasm, and wrote a life of Joan in which he attributed Joan's ideas to clerical prompting and her military success to an adroit use of her by Dun-

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Having demolished the pretensions of his predecessors, Shaw proceeds to explain by his idea of "Saint Joan." By "Saint" one understands him to mean a person of genius. By what we may call a method of realistic imagination, Shaw recreates his heroine as a girl of terrifying ability, who nevertheless was uncouth and illiterate, though by no means ignorant. She referred to the English soldiers, as "God-dams" until it was explained that this nickname rose from their habit of calling on their God to condemn their souls to perdition. She gives the name of "Polly" to Bertrand De Poulenguy, and that of "Jack" to Monsieur John de Metz. The Duke of Tremouille of "Old Gruff and Grum" and the Dauphin himself, at their first meeting is promptly hailed as "Charlie."

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"As she contrived to assert herself in all these ways with such force that she was famous throughout Western Europe before she was out of her teens (indeed she never got out of them), it is hardly surprising that she was judicially burnt, ostensibly for what we call unwomanly and insufferable presumption, as her actual condition was that of pure upstart, there were only two opinions about her. One was that she was miraculous; the other that she was unbearable."

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JULIA ARTHUR, as Joan of Arc



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# FOX FARM INDUSTRY LEAPS AHEAD

## RANCHERS OF VANCOUVER ISLAND SEIZE OPPORTUNITY

### British Columbia Climate Proves Ideal For Raising Fine Fur Bearing Animals

Domestic Fur Farming in Past Year Has Made Phenomenal Strides in Canada With Vancouver Island Leading the Way; Big Market for Fox Pelts Attracts Ranchers to Enter Profitable Business

OVER a year ago the possibilities of domestic fox farming on Vancouver Island, which had been entered upon by an occasional rancher here and there, was made the subject of an article in The Times. At that time the pioneers of the industry prophesied that, with the ban against the importation of foxes that the farmers of Prince Edward Island had erected to hold their monopoly lifted, the industry would spread throughout Canada.

British Columbia and Vancouver Island, in particular, they said would prove an ideal place for domestic fox farming, and their prophesies have proved correct. The growth of the industry has been phenomenal. The story of the advance of no other industry compares with it. Two years ago there were probably not two men on Vancouver Island who could call themselves fox farmers.

Incidentally, a lady, Mrs. Beaumont Boggs, was the pioneer of the industry here. Now, although they are not all registered, there are probably thirty or more fox farmers, some of whom have made heavy investments in the industry.

#### INDUSTRY STARTED IN 1888

The first successful attempt to raise foxes in captivity was made at Prince Edward Island by Sir Charles Dalton, in 1888. Until about fifteen years ago fox raising was still in the experimental stage. To-day fox raising has become a safe, fascinating, highly profitable business.

The silver fox is practically as easy to raise as a good dog, and eats about the same food. Foxes are strong, hardy animals and require very little attention, beyond sanitary housing, proper feeding and scientific breeding. One can raise foxes for the purpose of selling the live animals, for breeding purposes or with the object of pelting them for fur. In either case, competition can be avoided by raising Magic stock, which is the best foundation stock available.

Good foundation stock is rare

#### A HEALTHY YOUNG ISLAND FOX



tion considered it of such importance as to give it a major place in the proceedings of the Wild Life Conference. Later, under the auspices of this body, there was held the first Canadian Live Fox Show, in Montreal. The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair of this year would admittedly be incomplete, were not silver foxes given a prominent place therein.

Although various fur bearers, among which may be listed the mink, marten, fisher, raccoon and beaver, have been bred in captivity in Canada, few, if any, of these have as yet proven particularly profitable. So, for the present at least, fur farming means the culture of the silver fox.

#### HAS ALREADY PROVED ITS VALUE

This enterprise has already proved its value to Canada in many ways. To begin with, it has saved from practical extinction one of the world's most valuable peltries. As population increases and new areas become settled, the denizens of our forests and lonely places are pushed further back beyond the pale. Statistics show that all furbearers have become scarcer and scarcer and it may be said that when the annual harvest of furs outnumbers the natural increase the exhaustion of natural resources has begun. This means a gradual but increasingly rapid depletion of the country's capital. In the case of the silver fox, we have at least begun to offset the natural shrinkage and hence may reasonably claim to be adding to our country's wealth.

Despite this handicap, the silver fox industry, whose speedy finish has been prophesied both at home and abroad and feared by those of little faith engaged in it, has well survived the crisis. True, a few companies have gone under; some of them were so badly organized and so poorly managed that they could have not have succeeded even under a continuation of the abnormal conditions existing when they commenced. Some have made but little headway while others resumed the payment of dividends as soon as the war was over. Even those whose capitalization at the first was excessive are now on a good basis. Many could have continued without interruption the payment of small dividends, but to do so, would have prevented the proper adjustment of capitalization to actual assets. The wiser ones sold only sufficient of their yield to provide for extensions and current expenses, determined not to resume distributions until these, when begun, would be sure to be continued.

Thus it was that the war years, with their unhappy experience, proved, in the case of the silver fox business, to be a period of real reconstruction. The breeding business, unlike merchandising or manufacturing, contains within itself the potentiality of meeting the situation created by decreased value without loss of capital. Therein lies its strength. Fox breeding has justified the faith of those who "carried on" during the period of reserves, faithful to the responsibility, so lightly assumed in earlier days, of caring for the interests of their shareholders.

#### SMALL WOOD LOT BECOMES VALUABLE

The use of waste substance has long engaged thoughtful minds in every country. Those substances, for instance, which in the early days of petroleum refining were allowed to flow into the rivers are to-day of much greater value than the illuminating fluid which at first was the only product recovered. So with the old and formerly valueless livestock on our farms. To-day all of this is marketable at high prices because of the fox farm industry, and thus one waste is stopped and the country's wealth increased. Because of the demand for ranching sites, the small woodlot is to-day of greater value than any other acre on the farm.

Capitalists engaging anew in merchandising, manufacturing and transportation enterprises are

forced to spend much time and money developing their ventures before returns begin to come in. This is not the case in this industry. Foxes rarely change hands at an earlier age than six months. Most of them produce at one year old, and profits in real money often result in one year after the investment has been made. A business that brings returns quickly is desirable from every commercial standpoint.

Intensive farming is little practiced so far in this new country. It has brought wealth untold in France, Belgium and Holland and keeps the teeming millions of China from starvation. In what other business, covering as little ground, with as slight an expenditure for plant and labor, can so valuable an output be produced as upon a first class fox farm? On one farm of forty acres of land so poor that it could not be rented, upon which four acres were enclosed at a cost of \$6,000, where in seven years over \$300,000 worth of foxes have been grown. This is surely one example of intensive farming, metaphorically making a hundred blades of grass grow where but one grew before. The present annual value of this new industry to the smallest province of Canada is conservatively estimated at one and a half million dollars; next year the value of this product bids fair to pass the two million mark.

Canada suited for the industry. If we accept as reliable the chart printed by the United States Department of Agriculture, only a small area of United States appears to be in the preferred zone, yet, even in the districts described as either less favorable or entirely unsuitable, many farms have been established. On the other hand, the whole of Canada, with the possible exception of certain limited areas in some provinces, is adapted to the production of the finest fox fur, and herein lies a great opportunity

which but a few of the citizens of the mainland of Canada have as yet grasped.

#### FUR FARMING PLEASANT OCCUPATION

To the business man or office employee who, tired of confining work, longs to get "back to the land," fur farming offers a pleasant prospect and an occupation in which he has every chance of success, when ordinary intelligence is exercised. After he has had some little experience and has demonstrated his fitness for the work, he can easily get foxes to care for on a commission basis or find partners through whose assistance his operation can be extended. Such guiding as he may require for lack of technical knowledge is easily obtained from older ranchers and from government publications.

The per-pair production in a well-managed ranch should gradually increase. Some foxes are more prolific than others of the same family. A steady elimina-

tion of the less prolific may be practiced after the first two or three years and in not more than five years a fine colony of sure breeders will be the result.

Commercial success in fox farming depends, in the opinion of many experts, first on procuring at the outset the very finest breeding animals obtainable. It would be better to buy five pairs of such, than ten pairs that the same money would buy. The foxes should be purchased from one whose reputation is unquestioned, whose stock is known and proven, who is himself a first-class breeder and whose records are perfectly kept and open to the buyer's inspection.

Fur farming requires average intelligence and proper attention. It will not be profitable unless prosecuted with vigor, intelligence and good judgment; but if properly managed we know of no commercial undertaking that offers better rewards.

We know of one young ranch-

man of two years' previous experience who purchased one pair of young foxes in the fall of 1916 paying therefore about two thousand dollars.

In his quest for these animals he knew what he wanted and he hunted till he found it. Six months later he was the proud possessor of five fine pups, all of which he sold at the end of the season at a price that returned his original investment, paid his keep and theirs and left him with a good bank balance. The pair gave him another litter of five the next year, three of which he sold, retaining one vixen, and a male which he later exchanged with a neighbor. Last season the old pair raised a third litter of five and the young pair showed a yield of six. Needless to say, this man, who now owns a nice little herd, sticks to fox farming and loves it.

Let us cite the case of a fox breeding company with whose history we are familiar. In January, 1913, this concern completed its equipment with sixteen pairs of animals in its pens. The book value of each pair averaged \$11,000. This company has since paid nearly a quarter of a million dollars to its shareholders and at the same time increased its breeding herd to a hundred pairs. The extensions to its equipment and its increase of breeding stock were effected without any enlargement of share capital. Of these two instances, the first may be regarded as more or less exceptional as to breeding results. In the second case, production was never spectacular. Greater yields have often been recorded in herds of the same size.

#### A GOOD BUSINESS

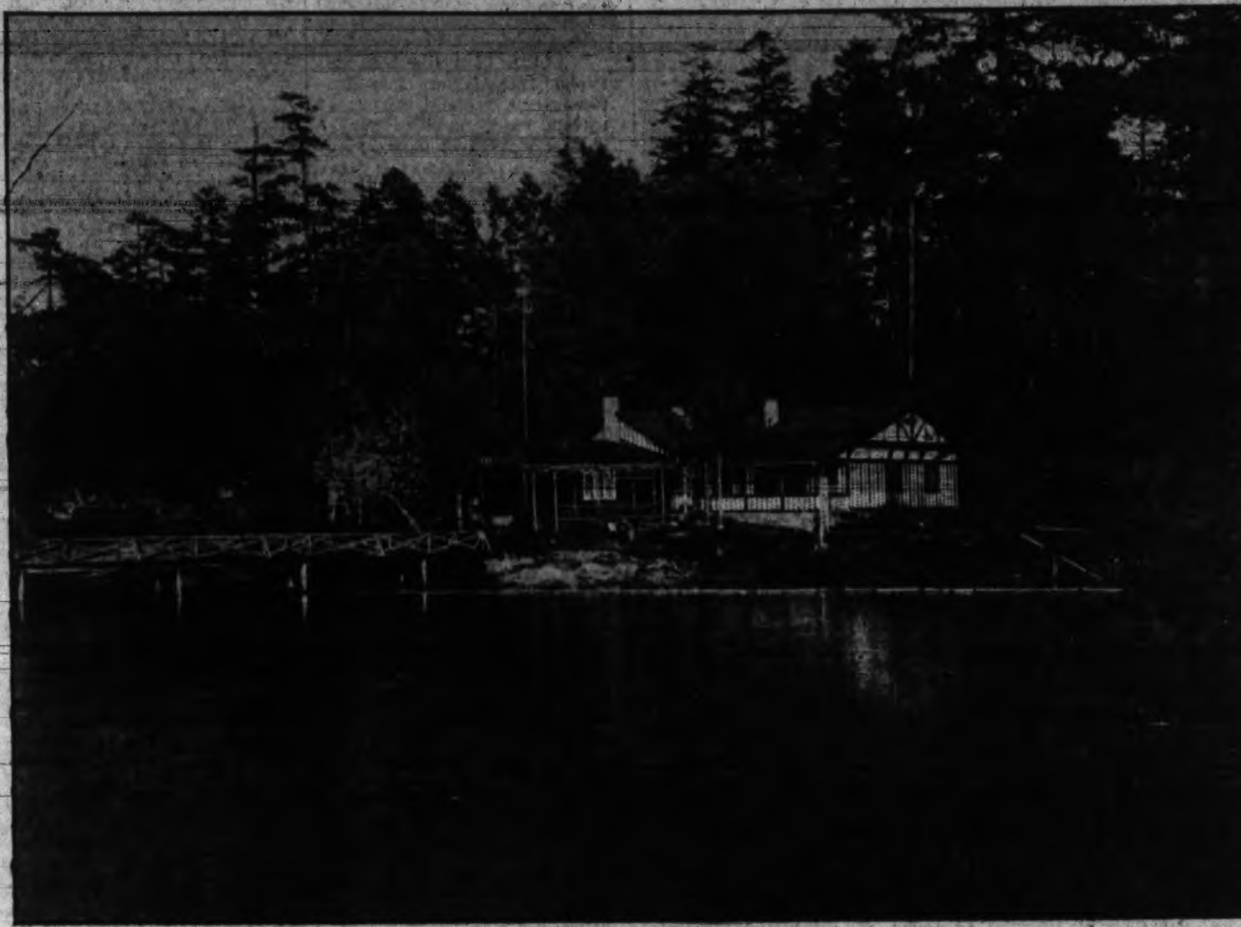
A cash expenditure of twenty or twenty-five thousand dollars will now purchase ten pairs of the finest young foxes, build and equip a ranch, and pay for care and administration for one year. With average results the first seasons, and the selling of only enough of the young to provide for extensions to the plant and for current expense, the owner should possess, at the beginning of the second year at last fifteen pairs. In two more seasons, his yield, if marketed with average skill, should return the whole original investment and leave the owner with a good business fully paid for.

#### MARKET FOR PELTS

Silver foxes will become so plenty, says the wiseacre, that prices will soon fall to the level of red. Such prediction was freely made as long ago as 1912, and has been made and published every year since. Yet the "saturation point" has not yet been reached. The market for pelts of fine quality is practically unlimited, notwithstanding the old world's poverty, though it must be admitted that it is pretty well supplied with low grade skins, largely the product of the wilds and of ranchers where bad breeding, stupid feeding, and filth with parasitic infestation as its natural consequence, are the rule.

We all remember when the humble muskrat sold for a few cents—when a dollar or two would buy a fine mink or a red fox. When, in 1911 the pelt of a mink sold for fourteen dollars, it was felt the limit had been reached. What happened in the Winter of 1920? The best "rats" sold at nearly seven dollars; mink and red fox thirty-five dollars; beaver sixty dollars; Russian sable—a skin not much larger than a man's hand—over a thousand dollars; and many other furs registered proportionate advances. True, these prices are not to be obtained to-day. Trade conditions the world over—the aftermath of war—necessitate close economy in expenditure. Reconstruction has only begun. But, mark our words, more real wealth is being created now than in the days before and during the war, and the purchasing power of the people will ere long reach at least its pre-war level. Then, again, luxuries will be in big demand, and meantime—furs are rapidly growing scarcer.

ONE OF THE NEWEST ISLAND FOX FARMS, GALIANO ISLAND









# GIANT BIRD-PLANES SPEEDING ACROSS SEAS WITH FREIGHT AND PASSENGERS, FORETOLD

Special Dispatch to The Victoria Times

PARIS, Jan. 23.—Huge, three bodied birds, soaring in one gigantic twenty-hour leap across the Atlantic—  
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This is the prospect outlined by one of the foremost aviation authorities in the world, Louis Breguet, president of the French Chamber of Industrial Aeronautics and himself a leader in airplane invention.

The huge metal albatross that he depicts for the future is an invention of his own imaginative mind, but he asserts that it is merely an idea of what the large airplane manufacturers and inventors are actually contemplating. It may be years before this revolution in world touring will arrive, but Breguet asserts it is actually within the vision of the far-sighted men of to-day.

## PRESENT PLANES

### "CRUDE"

In comparison with the airplane of the "day after to-morrow," the plane of to-day is a crude, speeding instrument, unsafe, untrustworthy, merely experimental.

Even the airplane of "to-morrow," according to Breguet's prophecy, will be slow and insecure in comparison with that to come. But it will be a marvelous improvement over present-day flying.

While airplanes now take jumps that average only about 100 miles, the bird of to-morrow will, only a few years hence, take hops of almost 1,000 miles at an average speed of 110 miles an hour.

That's the commercial, heavier type of plane, designed for comfortable passenger travel.

The characteristic of the airplane of the day after to-morrow will be their lengthened hop from 1,000 miles to an average of 2,500 miles," says Breguet.

Here is his description of this huge bird:

"The machine will appear like

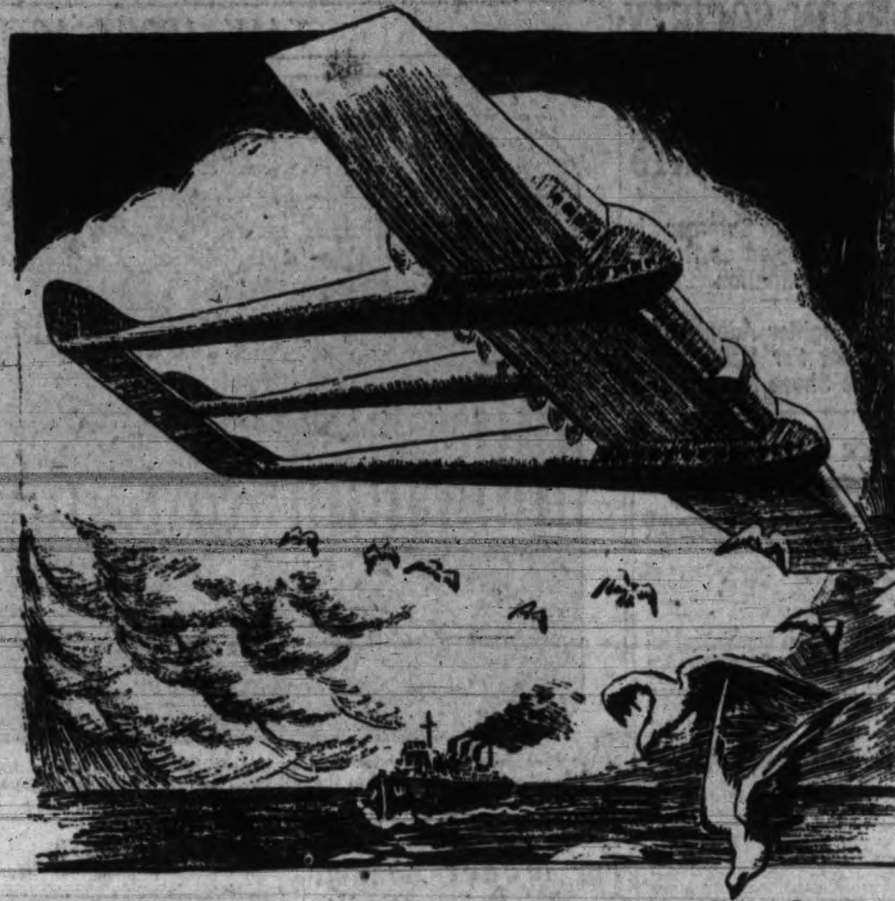
a vast bird containing many motors, tanks, equipment, passengers and freight. That is to say that this bird will be sufficiently spacious to permit the liberal circulation of passengers and their baggage within it.

"This huge bird will have three bodies—the central body containing navigation equipment and room for pilot and commander, and the lateral bodies containing lobbies, dining halls, salons and first-class cabins.

"The freight compartments could be set at the rear of the machine and the propellers would be found back of the single plane. The lower-class cabins would be within the forward part of this plane.

## WEIGHT FIFTY-FIVE TONS

"The total weight would be about fifty-five tons, the dead weight of the apparatus being about twenty tons, the additional weight of essential equipment and gasoline leaving some fourteen tons for the passengers



The airplane of the day after to-morrow, according to the predictions of M. Louis Breguet

and their baggage.

"The commercial speed of this machine would be about 140 miles an hour and its radius of action would be about 2,500 miles."

Thus the dream of some modern thinkers for a sort of floating island in the middle of

the Atlantic, as a refueling station for future airplane transports, is surpassed by the non-stop ocean flyer of Louis Breguet.

"If it is difficult to assign a date for the arrival of the airplane of to-morrow and of after-to-morrow, or to indicate the in-

termediate stages, it can be affirmed, nevertheless, that there is nothing in the conception of each that is beyond actual human vision, and nothing in their construction that can be considered as impossible of realization."

That is the parting assurance of Louis Breguet.

# HENRY FORD A-SKATING GOES



And here he is, abroad on the ice in the Inn grounds, with Mrs. Gaston Plaintiff, who is the Ford's house guest.

## SEALING HOLY DOOR FOR QUARTER OF A CENTURY



Only once in twenty-five years can this picture be taken. It shows Pope Pius placing the first brick in the ceremony of closing the Vatican's Holy Door for another quarter of a century.

## SOCIOLOGY RESEARCH TO STUDY MECHANISMS OF HUMAN LIVING

ALONG the lines of research sociological study urged at Victoria College last week by Prof. Beckett of the University of British Columbia, announcement has just been made by the Columbia University of the formation of a council for research in the social sciences whose primary interest will centre in the bases and mechanisms of human living. Five research projects, in this connection, already are under way with the aid of the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial and more are planned.

Dr. Frederick J. E. Woodbridge, dean of the Graduate Faculties, has been elected chairman of the council, which is made up of representatives of various schools of the university. The council, according to the announcement, brings under a single direction scattered groups and individual effort. Its formation is intended to discourage isolated scholarship and to further organized action, in addition to covering a field never before attempted.

Among the research projects already begun is one inquiring into "illiteracy in the United States."

under the direction of Prof. Frank A. Rose of the Department of Sociology. Prof. James Dombright of the School of Business is making "An Economic Study of the Laws of Business Corporations and Public Utilities."

A study of source material for a history of New York is in charge of Prof. Everts B. Greene of the Department of History. Prof. Franz Boas of the Department of Anthropology has been assigned the task of conducting research among Navajo Indians, and Prof. Carlton J. H. Hayes of the Department of History is directing a study of "Economic Internationalism in the Caribbean Region."

Prof. Roswell C. McCrea, who occupies the Hepburn chair of economics in the School of Business, characterizes the council as "a new departure at Columbia whose significance lies in facts and not in fads and fancies." He is a member of a Committee on Economics and Business Research to canvass research projects of interest to the staff of the School of Business. The other members of the committee are Edwin R. A. Seligman, McVicker professor

of political economy, and Wesley C. Mitchell, professor of economics.

The results of the investigations undertaken, for which sums in excess of \$60,000 per annum, will be spent for a number of years, are expected to lay foundations for scientific generalizations in economics and politics, which will gradually lift their status above the closest philosophizing of the past.

## UNIFIES GREAT ENDEAVORS

Explaining the aims of the council, Dean Woodbridge yesterday says:

"The new organization should be an effective supplement to the researches normally undertaken by individuals, departments and faculties. It should also serve to bring greater unity and co-operation into an enterprise which is apt to suffer unnecessary dispersion in consequence of our departmental and faculty divisions."

The researches already under way, Dean Woodbridge said, are supported in part out of the special research fund of the university and in part by a generous subsidy from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial. The gift of the memorial has made it possible to plan at once for important inquiries which will extend over a period of years. The council is, however, in need of increased funds for the work it has planned, he said.

The formation of this new organization is the outcome of a conference on the social sciences at President Nicholas Murray Butler's house two years ago, where it was pointed out that the laboratory of the social sciences is not something which can be housed in a university building; it is society itself. Studies in the field, either directly or by the assembling of materials already available in consequence of direct study, were urged.



Here's Henry Ford getting ready for a skate at Wayside Inn, Sudbury. He's putting on a pair of skates he invented seven years ago.

# HELEN KELLER'S DOG NOW SPEAKS WORD "MAMA" TAUGHT BY SAME METHODS USED WITH MISTRESS

By VIRGINIA SWAIN

HELEN KELLER'S English houseman opened the door. A great tawny animal catapulted against me and I staggered.

"Sieglinde won't hurt you," the man reassured.

Sieglinde is a Great Dane, only slightly smaller than a pony, and about the color of honey. She followed me into the living room, where I found Miss Polly Thompson, the young Scotswoman who is being trained to take the place of Anne Sullivan Macy as teacher and companion to Helen Keller.

She spoke to the dog and Sieglinde ceased her gyrations and climbed upon the davenport.

"She's terribly spoiled," said Miss

Thompson. "But what can you expect of a dog that can talk?"

I smiled inquiringly. "Oh, I don't mean talk with her eyes, or anything like that. Sieglinde can talk with her tongue. Just wait a bit and she'll do it for you."

I looked at Sieglinde with renewed interest. She was lying indolently against the cushions, her long legs hanging to the floor. "She's ruled this house for nine years," said Miss Thompson. "It was bad enough at first, but during the last year, since Mrs. Macy taught her to speak, we've been still sillier over her."

"Mrs. Macy?" I inquired. "Yes, Mrs. Macy taught Sieglinde to say 'Mama' by the same method she used in bringing speech to Helen Keller years ago."

"You evidently don't believe it. Nobody does. We never say anything about it because we should have to carry Sieglinde around the country with us, to prove the story. And she is too heavy to travel with."

"She didn't say a word to me when I came in," I laughed. "Perhaps you didn't offer her a bonbon or a piece of cake."

So that was it. Perhaps I hadn't. Neither had I offered her a chocolate éclair or a cinnamon stick.

Miss Thompson rang for the required cakes for Sieglinde and tea for us.

"How many pounds of cakes and candy did Mrs. Macy use in teaching her to talk?" I asked, pencil in air.

"It must have been tons and tons," she replied, "for Sieglinde never believed in selling out cheap."

There was nothing to say. It remained to be seen.

"Everybody else in the house has to look out for Sieglinde," she said.



Helen Keller and Sieglinde

"Sieglinde never gets out of anybody's way. If we stumble over her, she considers it our own affair."

"But the instant Miss Keller appears, the dog gets up and moves out of the way, her eyes following her blind mistress about the room. When Helen is safely seated, Sieglinde will run to her and lay her nose on her arm. She knows that Helen cannot see her and might fall over her if she did not take care."

Sieglinde is very jealous of a wax doll named "Teddy" that sat on the davenport while we talked. Miss Thompson had only to stroke the doll and talk to it to bring Sieglinde to her feet, hair bristling and ears up.

"Sieglinde eats a little of everything that we eat," said Miss Thompson. "She loves vegetables and salads and other things seldom eaten by dogs. She has a bed made especially for her and she has the care that would be given to a prince's pet."

Sieglinde was looking very amused when the cakes arrived. Then she sat up and began to take notice. Miss Thompson selected a piece of cake and held it over the dog's nose. It was a solemn moment.

"Mama!" said Miss Thompson.

"Mama!" said Sieglinde.

"O's bodkins!" said I.

It was far and away the most uncanny thing I had ever heard.

"Terrible, isn't it?" laughed Miss Thompson.

I shivered. Miss Thompson had forgotten to give Sieglinde the cake. "MAMA! MAMA! MAMA!" reiterated Sieglinde. The cake dropped into her mouth.

Miss Thompson was still smiling. "Did she say it or did she not?"

She asked me.

The word was unmistakable. In fact it was more clearly pronounced

than many human beings pronounce it. The effect on the hearer was startling.

"Mrs. Macy used the same method in teaching Sieglinde to talk that she used on the child, Helen Keller, many years ago," explained Miss Thompson. "The only difference was that when she repeated the word she wanted Helen to imitate, Helen had to get the vibrations of her voice through the sense of touch, because of her deafness."

Sieglinde was able to hear Mrs. Macy. Over and over again, she said the word, while tempting Sieglinde with candy. At first the dog took to wailing pitifully. In an attempt to answer.

"The vibrations from her walls reached Miss Keller, and she used to beg Mrs. Macy not to worry Sieglinde. But Mrs. Macy was not to be stopped."

"At last, after months of work, she gave it up. And then, when nobody expected it, Sieglinde suddenly sat up one day and said 'Mama.' Every body in the room jumped."

Since that time, the word has become clearer and clearer. Mrs. Macy helped the dog to draw its mouth into proper position, then she repeated the word to Sieglinde many times. As Sieglinde now pronounces it, the vowel sound is clear, and the labial "m" is distinctly pronounced, with lips compressed in a manner not before dreamed of in canine philosophy.

"Sieglinde has learned that that little word is her trump card," continued Miss Thompson. "We are quite accustomed, when the meat platter passes, to hear a pathetic voice calling 'mama' from Sieglinde's side of the table."

"If anybody questions the story, we are always ready to prove it."



Invigorating, eh, wot? And Henry's knitted cap keeps the chill wind from the Ford head. An unusual closeup of the Old Man of the Roads.

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# Week-end Cables and Special Dispatches From Across the Atlantic

## STEEL HOUSES OPPOSED BY BRITISH LABOR

Relief Offered by Government Denounced as Wage-reducing Plan

Scotland Lagging Behind in Building Scheme to Relieve Shortage

London, Jan. 22.—Premier Baldwin's proposal to build 2,000 steel houses in Scotland—the most socialistic step in the Conservative Government has yet taken, and it has done several things more socialistic than the preceding Labor Government did—has, strangely enough, provoked more opposition in the ranks of labor than among Baldwin's followers.

Although many laborites, like John Wheatley, admit it is a magnificent advertisement for Socialism, the plans are opposed bitterly by the building trades.

Baldwin's scheme to put the British Government into the house building business is the latest attempt to abolish the Scottish slums. The Premier was taken around the slums of the Scotch metropolis last summer, and at the end of his tour is reported to have said, "This is damnable."

### HOUSE SHORTAGE ESTIMATED

The housing question ranks second to unemployment as Britain's outstanding post-war problem. At the time of the armistice it was estimated that there was a shortage of 80,000 houses in the United Kingdom with a yearly increase of 30,000. Lloyd George promised "homes for the heroes," but it was not until 1922 that the first Baldwin Government passed the Chamberlain Housing Act, and named it after Neville Chamberlain, the able young Minister of Health. The following year the Labor Government passed the Wheatley Act.

The main difference between these two bills is that Chamberlain's law gives the municipal authorities or the private builders £4 for every house built, over a period of twenty years and allows that sum to be capitalised, while the Wheatley Act subsidises the local authorities and builders to the extent of £9 for each house over a period of forty years, but forbids capitalisation and demands as a condition of the subsidy that the houses must be let to tenants and not sold.

While the Conservative housing law aims at encouraging private enterprise, the Labor measure seeks to foster municipal control and at the same time discourage building houses for private speculation. Under Britain's various housing acts approximately 150,000 houses were constructed in England and Scotland during the last year, and at the present time 42,444 houses are under construction by the Chamberlain scheme, while 25,423 are being put up under the Wheatley measure.

But while Britain is making real progress toward a solution of the housing problem, and while Neville Chamberlain's prestige is being greatly enhanced as a consequence, Scotland, for some reason not clearly explained, has been lagging behind. Thus, while in Glasgow, for the thirteen months ended November 12 last, 1,109 houses were built, in Birmingham, with 10 per cent less population, 4,339 houses were put up.

### SCOTCH SITUATION ACUTE

Even when Baldwin offered the Scottish towns a special bounty of £40 for every house built, new construction was not forthcoming, and now, in despair, Baldwin has announced that his Government will build 2,000 houses in order to rosd the cities north of Tweed into fresh building activity. The Premier estimates that the number of houses the Government will put up is one-fifth of the number Scotland needs to-day.

The controversial point in the Baldwin proposal is the block order for 1,000 steel houses of the "Welsh type." A year ago Wales was the scene of the hour in Great Britain, when a number of newspapers led their readers to expect that his houses would, within a year or two, solve one for all the country's housing problem.

However, the natural conservatism of the people leads them to prefer brick and stone houses, and for this reason the municipal authorities and the private builders have shown a marked reluctance to build Welsh houses, doubting whether they could induce people to live in them. To-day only twenty-three Welsh houses have been built in the whole British Isles. It is to show these doubting Thomases that people will live in steel houses that the Government is going to build a number of them.

This has put the Labor Party in an awkward position. The laborites, especially the Scottish Clyde-aiders, have been talking much about the horrors of the slums and the unsanitary and immoral consequences of the lack of such houses. They are therefore hardly opposed to the Government's proposal now to build houses especially when it is an outright socialist step.

On the other hand, the Labor leaders are loath to incur the enmity of the powerful building trades unions. Roslyn Mitchell, Labor Member of Parliament, who defeated Asquith in the last general elections

## STILL STIRRING THINGS UP



Lloyd George is in hot water with the Liberals over his land policy. The split is so wide that he may form a new centre party. The above picture shows the war premier addressing a recent London meeting on his new policy.

## SEVENTY FIERCE LIONS LOVE THIS MAN

Reporter Goes Behind Scenes in London With Famed Animal Trainer



Captain Alfred and one of his pets.

Special Dispatch to The Victoria Times  
By MILTON BRONNER

LONDON (By Mail).—I have spent a day behind the scenes with a man whom seventy lions love.

He is Alfred Schneider, known as Captain Alfred, world-famous lion trainer. When I came to the Olympia Circus he was at work in a huge cage, containing twenty-five lions and lionesses from one to four years old. Alfred was rubbing their coats with vaseline. He explained to me that the big cats lick this off each other and thus keep their fur in good, clean, healthy condition. The cage was odorless.

Alfred didn't have a whip. He rolled one big fellow over, sat on him, pulled up a gigantic paw and made him reveal his claws. One had a deep cut on his face made by the claw of another lion. It was sore. But Alfred put vaseline on it and rubbed it, without even a baring of fangs by the beast.

With his blunt German, some of the scenes were indescribably comic. One lion was shedding. He wanted to rub against Alfred's pants leg. The man pushed him: "Go away, you are a dirty boy."

The beast slunk away. Alfred wanted one big seven-year-old African-maned lion to go into a separate cage.

"Go in Capuzzi."

The beast didn't move.

"Did you hear me Capuzzi, I haven't got time for games to-day."

Still the lion didn't move. An

recently denounced the building unions, and argued that the party should not be stampeded into hostility to the steel house. He immediately was denounced by the union leaders as "an interfering busybody."

## LONDON SOCIETY AGOG AT HINT OF FOUR COURTS

Unusually Gay Summer in London Predicted as Result of Intimation

King's Daughter Adopts Dinner Jacket For Ladies; Invisible Shoes New Fad

### Prince Adds Astrid Stories To Scrapbook

London, Jan. 22.—The Prince of Wales has made another addition to his famous "Book of Bridges" which is one of his most treasured possessions. It is a scrap book wherein he pastes clippings of all stories predicting or hinting of his marriage.

A few days ago he added many new clippings coupling his name with that of pretty Princess Astrid of Sweden.

During his last week-end hunt with the Melton Mowbray pack the Prince qualified for a Boy Scout by doing one good deed. As he and the Duke of York were exercising their hunters in a field they saw a horse which was being led by a mounted groom on the road break away and start galloping off. The Prince jumped off his horse, flung the reins to the Duke, scrambled over the fence, caught the bridle of the runaway and pulled him to a stop.

London, Jan. 22.—London debutantes have read with hopeful anticipation the announcement that the King and Queen are to hold three courts at Buckingham Palace next Summer instead of the customary two. A fourth court may also be held in Edinburgh later in the year.

"In the event of Their Majesties' engagements permitting a visit to Scotland," says the Lord Chamberlain's announcement, "a further court will be held at Holyrood Palace, Edinburgh, and Scottish ladies desirous of being summoned to attend courts are therefore requested to indicate their wishes."

Because of prospects of four courts all told, society leaders predict an exceptionally gay Summer, with more than the usual number of presentations.

### PRINCESS SPONSORS DINNER COATS

By appearing in one of the latest "dinner coats" for ladies, Princess Mary has set the seal of royal approval on another of society's fads.

The "dinner coat" was designed and worn during the recent cold spell and has proved so popular that it is being still used though the weather is milder. There are a variety of styles, mostly short, like a man's "tuxedo" and made of taffeta lined with velvet. Others are somewhat longer, in bright colored chiffon velvets, the cut being straight with long, wide sleeves and bell opening at the wrists.

### INVISIBLE SHOE FAD STARTED

Miss Evelyn King, who was presented at court last season, has just inaugurated a new fashion—invisible shoes.

Miss King, at the Berkeley Hotel, appeared the other night with not only her stockings but her shoes in natural tulle. The shoes were very flat in the heels and rounded to the foot. The result was that at a distance it looked as if the young woman were minus shoes and stockings, altogether—barefoot to be exact.

In consequence the fashionable shoemakers have since been besieged with orders for the "invisibles."

### LORDS AND LADIES SEEK POSTS

Titled folk are making strenuous efforts to get into trade and tradesmen are trying just as hard to get titles—such seems the trend of social change in London.

Every day some lady, baroness, countess, or even duchess, announces that she is opening a gown shop on Bond Street, or a tea-shop or even hotel. The whole social fabric has been twisted and sadly torn since the war. It is no longer a full-time job to be merely a lady or gentleman of social distinction.

Society as it was once known in London does not seem to exist any more. Would-be leaders cannot round up enough important followers to attract attention.

### TAXES HIT FORMAL SOCIETY

A few days ago the aged founder of the "Bachelors' Club" died. He had been for several decades one of the most popular men in London society. No dinner or dance was complete without him. In Victorian days, but newspapers generally commented on the elderly bachelor as a type which has passed. He had gone the way of Ward McAllister and Harry Lehr's the world over.

Heavy taxes growing out of the war have hastened the deterioration of formal society in Great Britain. Land is now a burden, and those who had little but big estates must go to work to maintain their families.

Fortunately the war trained most young men and women how to look after themselves and the titled land-poor are digging into trade and commerce with great energy.

## TALK ABOUT ACTION!



If the photographer had waited just an instant, his snapshot would have shown the horse smashing Jockey L. B. Rees' legs. It happened at the last fence in the Kenton Steeplechase, England.

## Peers Heading Drive For Model Abattoir To Minimize Cruelty

London, Jan. 22.—The Duchess of Hamilton's appeal for a fund for the erection of a model abattoir and for the abolition of the present cruel method of slaughtering animals for human consumption is meeting with a ready response. The Animal Defense Society for several years has been agitating a movement for Government intervention, but has met with little success.

Early in December Her Grace the Duchess of Hamilton and several other social leaders decided to lend their aid to the society and broadcast an appeal for the erection and equipment of a building to cost 30,000 pounds. They agreed that if 30,000 pounds were contributed that they would donate 10,000 pounds.

The plan of the A. D. S. is to erect this model abattoir as an incentive for public abattoirs throughout the kingdom. The cornerstones of the building at Letchworth was laid December 14. When it is under roof the equipment will be installed. This will include humane killing devices and every instrument and appliance known to prevent suffering. Hygiene and sanitation in the handling of meats will be among the dominant features of the new building.

Among early contributors to the fund were the Duchess of Hamilton, who gave 1,000 pounds; Mrs. W. J. Courtland, 1,000; the Duke of Hamilton, 500; the Duke of Westminster, 500; Lord Ernest Hamilton, 100; the Marquis of Clydesdale, 100. Other contributors are:

The Countess of Shaftesbury, Viscountess Grey of Fallodon, Viscountess Lee of Fareham, Rear Admiral Crawford, Conyngham, Lady Paget, Sir Ralph Paget, the Earl of Roseberry, Viscount St. David, Lord Hatherton, Lady Kyrle, Lord Leigh, Lady Flora Poore, Lady Russell, Lady Congreve and Lady Mary Morrison.

## Zebras and Snakes Among Strange Gifts Sent to King George

London, Jan. 22.—British Court etiquette lays it down that a subject may not make gifts to the Sovereign, but this ruling cuts no ice among certain rulers of dependent countries and territories. And, unfortunately for King George, Court officials do not think it politic to enforce it against certain would-be "gifters."

The gifts began to arrive a week before Christmas, and continued up to New Year and after, for some of the non-Christian donors thought the New Year a more fitting date for gift-making. Buckingham Palace officials, proud of the extensive gardens and adequate for dealing with most emergencies, had several acres of fits when the present, or "tribute" of Paramount Chief—King Sekoma of the Bechuanaland Protectorate (Africa) arrived, for it took the form of two zebras.

Fortunately, the Zoological Gardens in Regent's Park are not far from the "menagerie" before the lawns of Buckingham Palace suffered. They were very fine zebras too, according to zoologists, and a perspiring secretary had to go and inspect them in order to get a little "local color" for the customary tactful acknowledgment.

Gifts from the Emperor of Abyssinia have not yet been received, but the officials have lively memories of the lions, zebras and such like which have usually formed that potentate's offerings. Even venomous snakes of wonderful length and beauty, coloring have been received by the monarchs of Britain from their dusky subjects, but the arrival of the Bechuanaland zebras has warned the officials in time, and anything addressed to King George that cannot be carried in a bag is to be delivered at the Zoo first.

## Operated On



Miss Megan Lloyd George, daughter of England's war time prime minister, underwent an operation for appendicitis in London after being taken suddenly ill, and her father cancelled a tour of Italy to return to her side. Her condition has not been considered serious.

## Bride Carries Dog to Altar

London, Jan. 22.—A bride who carried her pet terrier to the altar on her wedding day attracted much attention here. She was Miss Barbara Hill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hill of Arlington Lodge, Eastbourne.

Just before the ceremony Miss Hill handed the dog Ben to one of her friends to hold during the service. Afterward Mrs. Leslie took the pet in her arms again, and carried it down the aisle and out to the waiting automobile, which was surrounded by a curious crowd.

## Haldane to Fight University Dismissal

London, Feb. 23.—J. B. S. Haldane, famous scientist and nephew of Lord Haldane, who was recently discharged from his position as a reader in biological chemistry at Cambridge University because he was found guilty of misconduct as a co-responder in a divorce case a few months ago, is returning from Italy to begin a fight against the decision of the university authorities.

In a statement forwarded from Rome Mr. Haldane says: "I intend to carry the matter to the farthest possible point. If I were a vulgar seducer of girls (he is apparently referring to the recent notorious Morris case) the authorities would be right, but my case is different as will be demonstrated."

## Hits Buns as Food For Girl Workers

London, Jan. 22.—Clemence Dane, novelist and dramatist, has issued a warning to women that they cannot lunch on half-penny buns in college or after they start to work if they expect to compete with men.

In an address to the girls of Tonbridge County School she urged that women build up their strength in every way possible and conserve it to the last degree if they hope to win success in a world where there are many competitors who are eating roast beef and wholesome vegetables.

## LLOYD GEORGE TO END DAYS IN THE LORDS?

Former Premier, Leader of Liberals, Still Factor in Britain's Future

Seat Beside Asquith May be Refuge if New Alignment Fails

London, Jan. 22.—Back in 1911 they used to tell the story of the man who had just been released from jail after serving five years. He asked a friend who had happened in the world during this time, "Well," began the friend, "Edward has died and George has been made King."

"Good old Lloyd George," exclaimed the ex-prisoner. "I always knew he'd get there." Now fifteen years later, with Lloyd George down and out, after having "got there" to such an extent that for years he wielded a far greater power than any king, people are asking "Can he come back? On the answer to this question may depend Britain's political future for another decade.

### CONSERVATIVES OUTNUMBERED

If one sets aside the unreal balance of power among the parties in the present Parliament and examines the election figures, he will find that in October, 1924, three great parties polled the following votes: Conservatives, 7,355,133; Labor, 5,487,520; and Liberals, 2,952,561. Thus the Conservatives, although they have a two-to-one majority in Parliament to-day, are a minority party in the country, and could be defeated decisively by a Labor-Liberal coalition.

There is every reason to believe that Lloyd George who is the real leader of the Liberal party, would like to effect such an alliance, and has, in fact, been working towards it. The "Little Welshman" holds high cards, too, because he controls the Liberal party funds. None the less, the opinion of keen students of politics here is that it simply cannot be done.

An attempt might be made, but it would split both the Liberal and the Labor parties. The wealthy Liberal ship owners and coal owners and industrial magnates would never in the world follow Lloyd George to the Labor party. A plain warning of this has been given by Sir Alfred Mond, who flatly turned down Lloyd George's land proposals. Nor would the Independent Labor party—the Fabian organization—nor the trade unionists have Lloyd George, although the Labor intellectuals would welcome him.

### MIGHT FORM NEW PARTY

The Daily Herald, official Labor organ, voices the thought of the party's directors when it flatly admits that Labor prefers to wait and let the Liberal party disintegrate. As Labor's strength is steadily growing, this is superficially good strategy, but it does not take sufficient account of Lloyd George's prowess. Should the Liberals cease to exist as a party, Labor might well count on getting 2,000,000 to 3,000,000 Liberal voters.

If the other million went Conservative, the Conservatives would still have a small majority, but one which any false step might easily wipe out. Lloyd George may be given credit for seeing as well as any man that this is what will happen if the present course of events continues. But he is quite capable of leaving the Liberal party cold and coming out for a new center party, which would have for its nucleus the Liberal party and the moderate Conservatives and the moderate Laborites.

With both money and organization such a group might manage to capture sufficient seats in Parliament to hold the balance of power, or by a freak of the three-party system might again give a minority party a tremendous Parliamentary majority. Lloyd George may be credited with acuity as well as accuracy when he declared recently: "I don't want to be Premier again. Could any holder of that office now wield anything like the power that I had for six years?"

### HIS LOVE TO FIGHT A FACTOR

But Lloyd George has a profound capacity for self-hypnosis. He may think now that he only wants to serve the country to the best of his ability, but intimate observers of his career see him now fighting for sheer love of the game—fighting with all the odds against him—fighting the light cavalry against the fortifications, and heedless of more sober verdicts, undertaking what is a fitting climax to his meteoric career. Should he fall utterly, as a sober political insight must predict, there is always his little Surrey farm, and perhaps even—and strange things have happened—the kind of obscurity of the House of Lords which Lloyd George could have for the asking, and in which his old colleague, rival, and victim, H. H. Asquith, now enjoys the peace of a serene old age.

## Women's Clubs Gloomy Members a 'Washout'; Viola Tree Declares

London, Jan. 22.—Women are a "washout" as club members and women's clubs usually are about as jolly as the lobby of a Summer resort hotel on a Winter Sunday afternoon. This in the recently expressed opinion of Viola Tree, noted actress, who thinks that women are not lazy enough to make good "clubmen."

Furthermore, she believes that women do not like to hear other women talk. Miss Tree says that women's golf clubs are about as sad as their town clubs, for the very good reason that most women have so much to do, looking after their homes and children, and enjoy going about the streets and shops so much that, when they have a little leisure, they do not want to sit about a fire and listen to other women talk.

## Sargent Paintings Cracking and Fading

London, Jan. 22.—The great exhibition of Sargent paintings at the Royal Academy is made the occasion by the art critic of the Evening News to warn owners of Sargent pictures of the grave danger of their destruction through the decay of the pigments.

"Unfortunately," he writes, "a large number of his pictures are already beginning to show signs of decay, which as a rule appear only after the lapse of centuries. The reason is probably to be found in Sargent's impetuous manner of painting, which made him go straight for his intended effects without giving thought to the science of his craft—that is to say, the chemical action of pigments and varnishes."

"The distressing cracks which are now appearing on his pictures," he says, "are due to the fact that most of his pigments, bitumen, and partly to the laying on of thin lightweight pigments—over-colors of heavier weight."

## Gay London "Bar" Known to Canadians, Becomes Hat Shop

London, Jan. 22.—The "Leicester Lounge," most famous of London's night drinking haunts, is to be closed down—not by the police, but because the premises have been acquired by a commercial firm. The "Lounge," is to be turned into a humdrum millinery showroom.

H. C. Russell Limited, who own the adjoining premises, need the place for business expansion, and an effort is being made carefully to demolish and re-erect—either in London or some provincial centre—the old "Lounge" for its proper purpose of consuming liquor stronger than anything permitted under the Eighteenth Amendment.

In pre-war days the "Leicester Lounge" was reckoned as one of the interesting places in London, and its fame was world-wide. During the war it gained such a reputation chiefly with the Canadian and Australian troops that it was placed "out of bounds" to all men in uniform. Military policemen stood at the head of the famous staircase leading to the "Lounge" and sternly warned off all soldiers, but despite this the "regulars," who made it their first port of call in London while in civilian clothes.

Since the war, there has been an attempt to restore the former glories, but post-war drinking hour restrictions prevented anything like the old revels. Now the "Lounge" is doomed, and a London landmark known "East of Suez and West of San Francisco" is to be wiped out. Great is the woe among adherents of the "Brighter London" idea.



## WAIFS CHANGED INTO MEN OF TALENT AND AMBITION



Before—

THE world has been listening lately on the romance of Izzy Berlin—otherwise Irving Berlin—and the charming young society girl, Ellen Mackay.

Berlin, as the world knows, came out of New York's ghetto. He was one of the Grand Street Boys' Association, which has on its membership judges, musicians and musicians.

This is but one of the organizations working for years to keep the youngsters of East Side gangs from becoming gangsters.

NOW the Beavers, for instance, were as rough a little gang of baby crap-shooters as anyone might find upon the sidewalks of New York.

One of the spectacles that never

fails to get a gasp from the New York visitor is that of crowds of lads, short in pants and years as well, who handle their dice with the adeptness of a veteran. And they gamble right up to the limit of their pennies.

This sort of thing leads to all sorts of petty pilfering—shoplifting wares from the many little stores—and hence, by slow process of growth, into larger thefts and perhaps prison.

J. E. LAUGHLIN told me about them. He has charge of a Y.M.C.A. branch in the Bowery. He says the case is typical.

It was the accident of a street baseball game that introduced him.

—and After



## THE IRIS FOR THIS YEAR

By JOHN HUTCHISON, F.R.H.S.

The passing of the late W. R. Dykes, M.A., secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society, early last month, brings to one's mind the iris family, for no one has done more towards making the iris popular than did Mr. Dykes, not only by his work in cross-fertilization, but also by his writings on the subject.

As irises may still be planted at this season (though September is the best time) it may not be out of place to discuss the various members of this great family at some length.

There are four large iris groups—the flag or bearded iris, the Japanese or kaempferi iris, the Siberian iris, and the bulbous group.

We will discuss these in the order as given above. The bearded group are divided into three sections: (1) The iris pumila and chamaeiris section, which are all quite dwarf and bloom in the early spring. (2) The May-flowering or intermediate group, most of which are of medium height. (3) The June or late flowering section, a very large class some members of which reach a height of four feet. These are often called the German-iris, but this is somewhat of a misname as most of them have been produced by the crossing of various groups.

The pumila section are dwarf plants taking up very little room and make a splendid edging for beds or borders, besides being very valuable as early-flowering plants in the rock garden. The flowers appear as early as March and the plants are attractive all the year by reason of their foliage.

The May-flowering section run from eighteen inches to two feet and a half in height. This section is useful for planting behind the dwarfs and in front of the taller late-flowering kinds. They should be planted about fifteen inches apart.

THE JUNE IRIS  
The late-flowering or June iris is the most important section as it is the glory of the iris garden in June. This section contains many hundreds of varieties and the newer kinds are often very expensive. This does not mean that one has to spend a lot of money to have a good show of this class, because some of the older and well-tried kinds are ex-

ceedingly beautiful and well worth a place in the most refined garden. These iris, being deeper rooted than the others, should be planted in well-prepared, deeply-dug, and well-manured beds. They like lots of water but are not particular as to position. They should be planted about eighteen inches apart.

The Japanese or kaempferi-iris are distinctly moisture-loving, but they will succeed in an ordinary border, provided it is not too elevated a position and can be kept from getting abnormally dry in summer, but they do better in a bed adjoining a natural or artificial stream or where they can benefit from the overflow of a lily pond or pool.

THE SIBERIAN GROUP  
The Siberian group has produced a very large number of hybrids and there are at least ten varieties which are worth the consideration of anyone who wishes to make a collection of iris. They have a much narrower leaf than the flag section and the hybrids run to a height of three or four feet in some instances. If a single plant is put in it will grow into a noble group in a few years. This section is particularly valuable on account of the graceful showing they make as cut flowers.

The bulbous irises, those that make their growth, bloom, and then die down, after the way of tulips and other spring-blooming bulbs, include the Spanish, Dutch and English irises. The Spanish-iris is so very cheap and so easily grown that it should find a place in even the smallest garden. In Europe they are grown by the million for cut-flower purposes, and the bulbs are so cheap that they are discarded when they have flowered and new bulbs are planted every year. When they

## HERE'S A STORY TO READ TO YOUR LITTLE BOY

TORONTO—With the first snow-fall the Tom Sawyer spirit that lives in every healthy, adventurous minded youngster began to take possession of Billy Souder.

Things weren't going any too well at home. His mother had been working terribly hard to make both ends meet. He felt that he was an extra burden to her.

Down on Pennsauken Creek the muskrats had been busy, preparing for the cold winter months. Billy had heard all about it from George Abel. George had a cave. It was a fine cave and George had stored much wood away for the winter days.

That night Billy disappeared.

Several days passed, and no word from Billy. Mrs. Souder, upon whose shoulders trouble had heaped more than enough burden, was torn by fears and grief.

When something like a week had passed policemen came to the Souder house. They took Mrs. Souder quietly aside and informed her they intended to make a thorough search of the premises.

A wild pitch sent a baseball through his office window. He ran out to catch the culprit and found a face with a hard-boiled and defiant lad of twelve.

"The first thing I discovered was that the gang has to be accepted in toto, or not at all," he related. "In most work, boys are listed in groups according to age. But you can't do that with gangs. The gang has to be accepted as one and there must be no classification. So I designed to accept the Beavers. That was six years ago.

"The first and hardest lesson to be taught a gang kid is that of hygiene. The kids already have a definite social sense and a pretty good religious basis, for most of them come from families of devout parents.

"I say that six years have passed since I first met the Beavers. I took them on a hike into the country. There were lads who had never seen a wildflower in the spring, and who did not know what a wooded hill-side looked like. They were a tender-minded crew. Some wore their father's cast-off underwear and pants that had been lifted from ash cans. These things are economic things and can't always be helped.

"To-day there isn't a kid that hasn't expanded in muscle and mind



Billy Souder

and who wouldn't be ashamed to be seen in uniform. They have taken that invaluable asset—a sense of pride. They build radio sets and have athletic teams. They are still the gang, but they will never be gangsters.

SOME day I may sit down and write the story of the romance of any

It might be that Billy had been murdered.

The troubled mother read the terrible story of suspicion in their eyes. They suspected her. Mrs. Souder grew frantic and collapsed.

That day she sat down and wrote an appeal to the papers in the larger cities all around. It was an appeal to Billy. Would he not tell the world that he was alive and that his mother was no murderer?

Down on Pennsauken Creek two boys played at Tom Sawyer and Huckle Finn. A cave fire burned merrily in their hermitage.

Then along came Joseph Sidebottom, a muskrat trapper. He took Billy to his home.

Billy was sitting toasting his toes before the fire when the paper arrived. On the front page was the mother's appeal to Billy. A very excited voice came over the phone to the police station. "Hey, this is Billy Souder. I'm all right."

Of course Billy can't understand why there was so much excitement in the first place.

of these Beaver kids to some brilliant young society maid—just as the story of Irving Berlin is now being written.

And that is one of the miracles of New York—this alchemy that changes waifs into men of talent and ambition.

—GILBERT SWAN.



NOW IT'S THE WHITE CANARY—After thirty years the International Canary Breeders Association has developed a white canary. It is shown getting a taste of sugar from Miss June Halfer.

## UNIVERSE A SPIRAL NEBULA, OBSERVATORY DIRECTOR SAYS

THAT the universe of which our sun, the milky way and other stars are a part may be a typical spiral nebula, similar to the spiral nebulae which are seen in space with modern large telescopes is the view expressed by Dr. W. W. Campbell, president of the University of California and director of the Lick Observatory.

This was given to the members of the American Astronomical Society in Dr. Campbell's address as retiring president of the society, read in his absence by Dr. Joel Stebbins, secretary of the society.

Although Dr. Edwin P. Hubble's observation at the Mount Wilson Observatory have shown that these spiral nebulae, which appear as gigantic pin wheels when photographed through a telescope, are outside of our universe, astronomers in general have not been willing to suppose that they give a good idea of what we could see if we were transported to one of them and could look back at the system of which we are members.

OUR UNIVERSE LARGER

For one thing the diameter of the two nearest spirals which Dr. Hubble has measured are much smaller than the estimates of the size of our universe. One of these spirals is about 40,000 light years in diameter, which means that a beam of light traveling fast enough to encircle the earth seven times in a second would take 40,000 years to travel across the nebula.

PLANTING DISTANCE  
The dwarfs can be planted four inches apart, the bulbous ones from four inches apart, in the case of the Spanish, to eight inches in the case of the Dutch and English.

There is very little actual garden work in keeping the iris garden going, once it is planted. The plants should be divided after a few years, or when they appear to be getting too crowded, and when they are so divided the opportunity should be taken to enrich the soil with some kind of manure. The bulbous kinds will increase and after some years the young offsets may be taken off and replanted to increase the stock.

Some Fall-flowering annual should be planted with the irises so that some bloom may be had during the autumn months when the plants are out of flower. Cosmos (the early variety is best) is a good plant for this purpose and may be sown where it is to bloom.

spiral is hardly an objection, for, says Dr. Campbell, "perhaps it is too much to expect that the greatest of the spiral nebulae should be our nearest neighbors; at any rate it is not difficult to imagine that some of the more distant spirals have linear diameters equalling or exceeding the diameter of our stellar system."

Having the shape of a lens, or, if you will, of a spiral, it is natural to suppose that our universe is rotating, said the author of the address, and there is some evidence that this is happening. His own studies have revealed that the whole solar system—sun, earth and all the other planets—is moving toward a point in the sky near the bright star Vega with a speed that takes it about 370,000,000 miles in a year.

LINE MAY BE VAST ARC

This motion is apparently in a straight line, but the start from which he has measured it are so relatively close, compared with the diameter of our universe, that the line may really be an arc of a vast circle.

"We do not know," he concluded,

that our stellar system is now a spiral nebula, or the product of a spiral, but it does seem to have most of the known attributes of a spiral."

A way out of a difficulty that has puzzled astronomers or years as to why star clusters within our system should contain stars of vastly different types and presumably different ages—though all the stars in each cluster might have been thought to have the same age—was proposed of Princeton University. His theory by Professor Henry Norris Russell of stellar evolution has been widely accepted, and according to his latest deductions all stars proceed through the same general course of evolution, but only those with large masses start at the beginning, those with intermediate masses starting at the middle and with small masses near the end.

If, therefore, a large number of stars are formed in a cluster at the same time those of small mass would be almost at once in a state which those of large mass would take many billions of years to reach and they will appear to be of different ages.

## AGED CIRCUS ELEPHANT—MURDERER OF NINE MEN—TO BE ELECTROCUTED

TEX, veteran circus elephant, who has drawn laughs from children and grown-ups in all parts of the country for more than a score of years, is about to make his last appearance.

Tex "went bad" last fall, broke loose and blew himself to a regular rampage. When he was recaptured he had killed nine men, seriously wounded two others and destroyed thousands of dollars worth of property.

So now he is going to be electrocuted—the first elephant in the world's history to be put to death by this method.

Only they aren't going to let Tex die in decent privacy, as other man-killing outlaws do. It's going to be a public festival, with hundreds of people paying so much a head to see it. The great audience is from the Indian jungles, who have looked out in uncomprehending wonder at the ring of faces about him in the past, must go to his death with the same curious faces spread round him.

CIRCUS PERFORMER FOR YEARS

Tex is owned by the Moon Brothers Circus, which operates under the leadership of "Honest Bill" Newton. He—Tex—had played his monotonous part for many years, taking peanuts that the kids offered him, clambering awkwardly onto a round ball in the middle of the arena and bearing a red-coated trainer on his back down the dusty streets of thousands of parades.

Then, last fall, Tex remembered the jungles. Elephants weren't made for circuses. So he stuck his tusks into his trainer, wounding him with an inch of his life, broke his cage and trotted off.

He was gone for five weeks before they caught him. During that time he spread death and destruction like a living tornado. He broke down barns, uprooted trees, tore up crops, killed people who got in his way. The circus had a pretty bill for damages.

So, when he was caught, there was only one thing to do. Tex must be killed. And "Honest Bill" thought of electrocution.

CITIES BID FOR ELECTROCUTION

Now here came the chance to recoup. Why not make an event out of it. "Honest Bill" put out feelers. The response was quick. A number of cities, including Kansas City, St. Louis and Memphis, bid for the privilege of seeing Tex killed. "Honest Bill," being patriotic, gave the plum to Little Rock.

The open-air auditorium at the state fair grounds will be the scene. Tex will stand on a platform, each



Tex, the elephant that must be electrocuted

foot resting on a brass contact plate, with another strapped to his head. It will take 40,000 volts to kill him, so the city's power must be shut off for a time. And all around the platform will be hundreds of people, each with a ticket stub.

For three days before the electro-

cution Tex will be on exhibition at the fair grounds securely chained. Of course after his death his body will be presented to the medical department of the University of Arkansas. And that will be Tex's final appearance.

## Shore, Field and Woodland

NATURE NOTES

By ROBERT CONNELL

A wayward impulse led me to the city gardens at Beacon Hill, not the flower beds beneath the trees, but the enclosed grounds which act as nurseries for the boulevard and at the same time contribute their part to the enjoyment of flower lovers. The month of January is not of course the ideal one in which to make the acquaintance of gardens of any kind, but a Victoria garden is rarely without some element of interest.

I must confess this was my first entrance within the gates, for my previous visits to the neighborhood had been on Saturday afternoons. I was fortunate in finding my old friend, Mr. Purdy, the park superintendent, within, and under his guidance, I was able to see everything of interest. From the southeast the gardens are sheltered by a broad belt of trees and wild shrubbery which forms a most effective background to the trim hedges of laurel and the rows of evergreens, and in summer when the flowers of cultivation and the thickets of spruce and snow-berry and yew in the woods with-out are all in their glory of color and wealth of leafage the effect must be very pleasing to the eye.

At this season the garden with autumn falling leaves, commonly called deciduous, are but tracers against the sky, but I noticed that the English oaks, charmed, I suppose, by our moderation of climate, still hold fast their withered leaves, or is it that they "have their roots" and seek to retain some protection against possibilities? Probably the real reason is slow development of the bud contained in the leaf-axis due to the unusually dry weather of last fall. But what a contrast to a few withered but persistent leaves is the rich foliage of the conifers, and especially a purple-tinged Cryptomeria, one of the Japanese trees.

THIS PRIMROSE BANK

Nothing pleased me quite so much as a long bed, a bank only by courtesy, planted with British ferns and primroses. I brought home a piece of one of the fronds and so far as I could identify it (for I am familiar only with such Old Land ferns as grow here, with one or two unmistakable additions such as the Hart's-tongue), it appears to be the Prickly Shield-fern, a relative of our sword-fern, though resembling it but little. Among the ferns are clumps of the wild primrose, and mid-winter as it is, some of them are in blossom.

... pale primroses. That die unmarried are they can behold Bright Phoebus in his strength."

The primrose is the flower of flowers in open English woodlands and along the hedge-banks by country lanes. Growing in profusion its delicate scent is unique and unforgettable, and sweet flowers, tender stems and soft green leaves have made it a universal favorite, dwelling beside our paths and homes. Its name means the "firstling," for it is a diminutive of "primus, first," come to us through Old French, and corrupted into "primrose" as if "prime rose." This use of the diminutive is an evidence of the affection it has so long held among all classes, like "darling" from "dear." Of all the "prime roses" or primroses the yellow holds first place, with the cowslip perhaps second, the "primrose" of the meadows. Such is the power of association and the appeal of simple things, for there are many beautiful members of the genus, among them the auriculars and primulas, some of the showiest coming from China and the Himalayan region. The primrose family includes the cyclamens, our dodecatheon (often called "cowslip"), the pretty little trientails of the woods, and the yellow loosestrife of the lakeside meadows.

IN THE GREENHOUSE

Near by, one of the large saxifrages was in bloom, bearing large pink flowers. I believe the species is Saxifraga hypnoides, a very common house plant in fine form with its long spikes of pink and white. But the out-door colors seemed very quiet when we stepped inside the greenhouse, for there one of the Euphorbias was in the full glory of its scarlet inflorescence, and it was not the species named "fulgens" it certainly well deserved such a name. The family is best

known among us by some of the spurge which are grown in gardens and occasionally escape from cultivation. The genus Euphorbia is said to be one of the largest in the world, containing nearly 1,000 species. The showy poinsettia belongs to it, but the brilliant crimson is not the property of the flowers but of certain bracts or modified leaves, so that they correspond to the so-called "flowers" of the dogwood, which are also only bracts. A common feature of the Euphorbias is a peculiar form of the inflorescence, which consists of a whorl of one-stamened flowers surrounding a pistillate flower which in some is borne at the end of a stalk, which as it lengthens permits this central blossom to hang outwards and downwards. The Euphorbias differ very much in flowers, leaves, fruits and general appearance. In India, where there are no native cactuses, they become cactus-like in form so as to deceive almost any one but an experienced botanist. Some possess a milky juice which yields rubber, and the seeds of one of the family have long been painfully known to the young in the form of the castor-oil expressed from them. The tapoca of our puddings comes from the root of another member. One other beautiful flower attracted me, a tropical orchid with yellowish floral leaves tinted with purple and white. And I must not forget the green of a lovely little acaenella, allied to the club-mosses. My Winter day's visit impressed me with the value of the City Nursery-Garden and made me determine to see it in the array of spring, when the flowers cover the dark earth and the bare stems and branches of tree and shrub are bearing the banners of hope, the leaves that speak of life and health.

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## BOTHERED WITH ECZEMA IN RASH

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# A PAGE OF INTEREST TO CHILDREN

## INSECT POSTMEN CARRY THE REGISTERED MAIL POUCHES FOR MANY FLOWERING PLANTS

Plant Engineering is Amazing Feat of Nature; Color, Shape, and Perfume Signal to Attract Attention

There is utility as well as charm in the color of a flower. The very design of its bloom, its perfume and color are all waving signals to insect postmen Nature sends to carry its seed.

For years naturalists knew very little about the action of bees, butterflies, birds and other agencies in their fleeting calls at the petals of a flower. The great difference to be seen in the shape of the blooms of various plants, and the fact that each when searched revealed much the same number of parts, led men to seek further light on their design.

Botanists found that each flower contained the same general design, only the flowers of one plant differed widely from those of another in shape, coloring and perfume. Then it was discovered that bees, birds and others of the winged carriers of nature showed a marked preference in the garden.

They found bees would favor two or three types of bloom, and have all others alone. Humming birds would be seen to dart their long-pointed beaks into the bells of the honeysuckle, and pay little or no attention to other and more prettier blooms almost alongside. Moths, where they could be observed, showed a different choice of bloom for almost every kind of moth-placed under observation; and so it went.

One type of moth, with the longest tongue in the insect world in proportion to its size, was found to make exclusive calls at a delicate shaded flower which was bereft of all other callers in the garden. Or examination it was found this flower carried a little nectar, sweet syrupy juice, at the bottom of a long pocket. Only the moth-flying moth in question could have slipped this nectar as it alone of all moths had a tongue long enough to reach down the narrow pocket to the sweet juices.

This led to a study of the shape of the moth, and it was found that it was ideally suited as the carrier messenger for this particular species of plant.

Most flowers reward the little winged distributors of their bounty with nectar. This sweet syrupy juice is contained in some form of pocket to which the insects fly by virtue of shape and size are not able to act as a carrier for the flowers are not attracted. But the flower through its medium of color, its perfume, and its very shape, signals to the insects it wants.

It is known that many flowers would fall and their places next year would remain unfilled were it not for the little winged messengers who may be seen hovering above them in the garden, darting here and there to collect the nectar. It is not for the little winged messengers who may be seen hovering above them in the garden, darting here and there to collect the nectar.

Nature shows extraordinary ingenuity in her plant engineering. Most flowers are so made that their visiting insects cannot reach the nectar without coming into contact with two sticky little patches containing the pollen dust. Usually these little sacks are brushed by the questing tongue of the insect and immediately fasten themselves to the tongue, to be carried off to the next flower visited.

In entering the next flower the insect reaches out its tongue, but this time the pollen sacks point forward and are automatically pressed into the second flower where they come in contact with just the very part intended for their reception.

The system is like a postman going the rounds with his letters, in which the bee is the postman, and the pollen sacks are registered letters addressed to a particular flower which will sign for no other.

It is known that plants shape their flowers with the express object of inviting the only insect that will be able to act as its postman. Insects, it is said, have a sense of color, and in their flights are attracted by the blooms for which they are intended to act as messengers.

The same wise nature fashions the insects so that they may be of use to the flowers. The moths have long tongues and gentle ways, stopping on the most delicate blooms without spoiling or tearing their petals. Bees are busy bustling fellows, bustling with hairs, and it is on their hairy backs that they collect and carry the pollen-sacks for neighboring flowers.

All these postmen get paid, and well paid, too. The bee uses the gifts of nectar he receives for his

### BEDTIME STORY

## Uncle Wiggily's Three Icicles

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(By Howard R. Garis)

Hanging down from the edge of the roof on Uncle Wiggily's hollow stump bungalow were three icicles. One was a long, thin icicle. Another was a middle-sized, thin icicle, and the third was a short, fat icicle.

Least you may not know what icicles are, if you happen to live in the warm Southland, where none are ever seen, I will tell you icicles are drops of water, frozen one after the other, one fastened to the other, as they drip off the roof from melting snow. Thus icicles grow very long and thin, sometimes as more drops of water freeze to their ends.

"Oh, ho! Three icicles!" cried Uncle Wiggily one day as he hopped

out of his bungalow and saw them dangling from the edge of his roof. "I wonder how long they will stay there!" went on the rabbit gentleman. "Not long, I think, if the warm sun begins to melt them."

But the sun was behind some clouds, the day was cold and the icicles dangled straight and stiff from the roof, like soldiers standing on their heads.

Uncle Wiggily was going to hop off to the woods, to seek an adventure when, all of a sudden, he heard a noise around the corner of his bungalow and he peeked up his ears, twitching his nose and whispering:

"Here comes the wolf!"

But no! It was only Jackie Bow Wow, the puppy dog.

"Wuff! Wuff!" barked Jackie, wagging his tail in delight as he saw his friend Uncle Wiggily. "Have you any candy?"

"No candy, Jackie, I am sorry to

say," answered the bunny. Then Jackie looked up at the little, short, stubby icicle and said:

"If that was sweet and was colored with red stripes it would look like a stick of peppermint candy. But it isn't," said the puppy.

"No, it isn't," answered Mr. Longears. "But I'll make it so." He went back into the bungalow, got some malted sugar and some red strawberry juice from Nurse Jane Fussy Wiggily. Standing on his tippy toes, Uncle Wiggily painted the short icicle, with the sugar and strawberry juice, making stripes on it like a peppermint.

"Now it is candy, Jackie, and you may have it," said the bunny. And truly, though it was a bit cold to the teeth, still the icicle tasted just like candy when the rabbit broke it off and gave it to Jackie.

"One icicle gone!" sang Uncle Wiggily, and then, all of a sudden, as Jackie scampered away, there was another sound around the corner of the bungalow. "Here comes the Fox!" whispered the rabbit gentleman.

But no! It was Tootle Flat Tail, the beaver boy.

"Have you any candy?" asked Tootle.

"No," answered Uncle Wiggily. "If that was spotted with yellow it would look like a lemon stick," went on Tootle, pointing to the middle-sized icicle.

"No sooner said than done!" cried Uncle Wiggily. He put some melted sugar on the second icicle, spotted it with yellow peach juice and, breaking the icicle, now turned into candy, off the roof, gave it to the beaver boy.

"Two gone!" said Uncle Wiggily as Tootle scampered away.

Then, all of a sudden, there was another sound behind the bungalow. "Here comes the Bob Cat!" laughed Uncle Wiggily.

And, surely enough, it was the yawling bad chap, hungry for ears to nibble. But as the Bob Cat made a spring for the rabbit, Uncle Wiggily jumped up and broke off the long, thin icicle, which he used as a spear. He stuck the sharp end of the icicle into the soft, warm tent of the bad chap and made him laugh so hard he could nibble nothing.

"Oh, this is too much!" gasped the Bob Cat, as he rolled over on his back and so off down the hill and far away.

"Three gone!" laughed the bunny gentleman as he threw aside the last icicle. "They gave me some jolly adventures, though." And the icicles were glad they had been of some use in this world.

So it goes, doesn't it? And if the onion doesn't sprinkle perfume on its handkerchief to make believe it's stylish, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily and Tommie's tail.

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**RICHLI CLAD**—Miss Patung-wa, an Eskimo maiden living in Baffin land, didn't spend much for her winter costume—but how it would cost if she bought it down here! She's wearing a genuine seal skin jacket, trousers of blue and white fox fur, and boots lined with polar bear skin. She is taking her little sister out for a walk.

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No, these aren't pouter pigeons or sea monster—they're just two freak sweet potatoes grown by Charles Eakins, sixteen.

Watching Plants Grow

## Roller Skaters Give Motorists Many Gray Hairs

Not long ago a story was published, being the account of a locomotive engineer, in which was told the severe shocks careless motorists will give to those in the engine's cab at level crossings. The engineer explained that a train required many hundred feet in which to draw to a standstill and told of the hair-breadth escapes of motorists who tried to "beat the train" across the tracks. He showed clearly that to stop the train when the motorist had changed his mind and was going ahead after stopping at the crossing, was impossible. This engineer crossed forty level crossings in the course of the day, and at each of them he was never sure that a tragedy



This happened when a motorist swerved his car to avoid crashing its 2,000 lbs. into a band of children playing on the road. He looked one minute and they were on the curb, the next they were in the street he left via the pole route.

might not take place. It brings gray hairs to the head," he concluded.

In no less terms might be described the position of the motorist in regard to children on the street. In many parts of this city the fine, broad, paved streets are a compelling attraction to roller skaters, who, indeed, have few other places to go if they want to use their skates.

In the quiet, outlying parts of the city roller skaters are to be seen on the feet of every second child met with in the course of an hour's walk. It is healthy, clean exercise, and makes for sturdy boys and

usually there are more playmates than pairs of skates to accommodate them. Could not someone in the sidelines keep watch for traffic, signal the approach of a car, and thus help to prevent many accidents which now occur?

Accidents occur when the unexpected happens. If a lookout is posted by all kinds of playing school "matters" the unexpected would be much less likely to happen. If the city had a roller skating rink at every second block there would be no need to use the streets for this purpose, but as it is the streets are fair game for skaters and the only fee they

have to pay is that of using a little care.

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cheery faces. But skaters, too, have a duty to perform. This is their ever-present duty, to watch out for themselves!

Often a motorist will see a crowd of children draw to the side of the curb to let him pass. All of a sudden one little fellow will dash across the road. He is "beating the train," though that may not have been his intention when he started. The man at the wheel gets no less of a shock than does the engineer in his cab. Often, especially when the surface of the road has a little moisture on it, to stop in time is very difficult. Motorists would be the last in the world to stop such a healthy outdoor sport as skating, yet little skaters give them many "gray hairs."

Would it not be an excellent plan for all who make use of the streets to skate or play to form a "bit of posting a lookout for traffic?" Seldom is it that all want to skate at the same time.

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"Alice in Wonderland," "Black Beauty," and many other books will hold their appeal always. But what class of story is it that you would pick up in preference to others?

Books play a large part in our viewpoint in later years. Long before they are able to enjoy books for themselves many young people have them read to them by their parents. In this way, before even able to read, many young people, know some of the worthwhile stories almost by heart.

Some of the books written for entertainment have had a wonderful part in the affairs of the world. "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea," by Jules Verne, many said was a wonderful forecast of the submarine and its movements at a time when only diving bells were used under the water.

"Starland," by Sir Robert Ball, being the summary of lectures he gave at the Albert Hall, London, for young people, stands to-day as one of the most readable guides to the star-lit sky at night.

"My Studio Neighbors," by W. F. Gibson, discloses insects which bore their way through the hard ground with less difficulty than man in making a tunnel with steel tools; beetles which fire miniature gas shells at their enemies; wasps that sting a living grub into the most effective form of self storage; and many other strange and interesting facts about tiny creatures. Mr. Gibson illustrates his books with his brush and teaches younger eyes how to search for, and find the wonderful secrets of little toilers we pass in everyday life.

A good reading programme should include a little of everything, but that little should be good. Your parents will tell you the names of the books they read and enjoyed when at your age. Your teacher will tell you what is worthwhile in the more modern writings, and between both sources of advice you should be able to make up a good list of books to read.

Not many years ago books were out of reach for all but the richest people. Nowadays public libraries carry books that would be far beyond the ordinary pocketbook, and in such numbers that almost any book required may be asked for and read. Victoria is fortunate in the possession of a first class public library, with a staff that is ever ready to aid young people in search of good reading.

The object of this present contest is to find out the types of stories that are being read to-day. In your answer strike out for yourself. Write honestly of what you like in the way of reading. Enclose age, name and address. Write in pencil or ink, but on one side of the paper only. All letters should be addressed to "Children's Editor, The Times, Victoria, B.C.," on or before February 15.

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## WHAT BOOKS DO YOU LIKE TO READ AND WHAT ARE THE REASONS FOR YOUR CHOICE?

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HOME INTERESTS  
AND ACTIVITIES"PUSSYFOOT" JOHNSON BLUSHES  
FOR AMERICAN WOMEN'S DRESSProhibitionist Says They Would do Well to Don Some  
of Veils Discarded by Turkish Women

New York, Jan. 23.—"It did the women of Turkey lots of good to take off their veils. It would do American women good to put on a few."

So said William E. Johnson, otherwise "Pussyfoot" Johnson, famous prohibitionist, as he returned to New York after a six months' tour in Europe, where he has been spreading anti-saloon propaganda in the hope of drying-up Europe.

The Housewife's  
Diary

Before I forget it I must tell you how to shell chestnuts in the most satisfactory manner. With a sharp-pointed knife make a cross on one side of the chestnut and when you have a hot oven put the chestnuts in a pan with just enough melted butter on the bottom to keep them from sticking. Leave them in the oven for five or ten minutes, or until the shells have become quite loose. Take them out, let them cool and then remove the shells. After that you can boil them, or if you are like me and are always afraid of losing a lot of the precious vitamins if you boil things in a lot of water that has to be thrown away, steam them until they are quite tender. This is so much easier than boiling them to begin with and then trying to shell them afterwards.

Long before anyone ever heard of vitamins, some old-fashioned housewives realized that a lot of goodness was lost when potatoes and other vegetables were cooked with their skins off, but isn't it remarkable how most cooks and general-housework girls would rather spend hours and hours a week boiling vegetables than cook them with the skins on? And the vitamin-saving way is really so much easier. Whenever the oven is on we have potatoes baked because everyone in the house prefers them that way and at this time of the year they are the potatoes—bake so well. Whenever we are going to have any one for dinner who eats in restaurants or hotels a good deal we have them because that is one thing that is very hard to get away from home. I suppose that is because baked potatoes have to be eaten as soon as they are done. They would get soggy and horrid if kept warm and of course it would take too long to bake them to order.

With boiled potatoes I wash them first and then boil them for ten or fifteen minutes. Then I drain them and when they are cool enough to manage I take off the skin, which comes off quite quickly. I finish cooking them by steaming and this I can often do by placing them in a collander over something that is steaming on the stove—thereby saving precious gas. Faithfully,  
MARTHA.

Women Smoking  
Agitates Sorbonne

Paris, Jan. 23.—The controversy over whether girl students should smoke, which has evoked so much discussion elsewhere, has reached the Sorbonne, Paris' great centre of learning.

Those who oppose smoking for women of the university accuse the smokers of trying to "camouflage their femininity" and the smokers reply, with some contempt, that the charges are "small-town stuff" and those who make the charges "frowny and old-fashioned."

Russian girl students have taken

"When the Moslem women took off their veils, they not only literally uncovered their eyes, but they began to use them to see what was going on about them," he says.

"Consequently the women of Turkey are more progressive comparatively than the women of any other European country, with the possible exception of the Scandinavian countries where they have had greater liberty for a long time. And they are for prohibition."

"They are extremely active in the Green Crescent Club, a prohibitionist



PUSSYFOOT JOHNSON

organization of some 1,300 members."

Since American women have been abbreviating their skirts and pruning their hair down to the absolute minimum, they have been diminishing their influence for good, "Pussyfoot" says.

"This is unfortunate for America, for American women have always set the pace for the men. The reason our social conditions are better than those of every other country, that our homes are happier and more prosperous generally is because of the fact that our women awakened earlier to their civic responsibilities."

However, "Pussyfoot" Johnson is not so interested in our morals and in our clothes as he is in our observance of the Eighteenth amendment.

"Certainly prohibition is a success over here," he maintains. "And prohibition is nearer in the Scandinavian, Slavic and Balkan countries to-day than it was here fifteen years ago. It has to come. France will probably be the last country to accept it—particularly if the Americans continue to make that the headquarters for their heavy drinking."

the lead in the smoking campaign and the habit has increased notably during the present term, but the sight of a girl puffing a cigarette still is rare enough to shock some of the Sorbonnettes.



FURS WHERE THEY OUGHT TO BE—Fur stockings in Musquash are the latest in Paris. Left picture shows how they are held on by an automatic steel fastener

FAMOUS ENGLISH  
MANSION BURNED;  
TREASURES LOST

Hagley Hall, Viscount Cobham's Seat, Gutted; Priceless Works of Art Lost

London, Jan. 23.—Hagley Hall, a beautiful and historic mansion in Worcestershire, which has been the home of the Lyttelton family for nearly four centuries, was destroyed by fire, and priceless works of art, including tapestries and books, perished.

Viscount Cobham was awakened by the scream of a servant. The family, visitors and staff were alarmed, but the fire spread from the servants' quarters so quickly that it was a question of getting out of the house with all speed. Indeed, all escaped in their night clothes. Lord Cobham, in his pyjamas, an overcoat and a pair of gum boots. For a time they were accommodated in the homes of the outdoor servants and workmen on the estate.

The family Christmas party included a number of young children, and they went during the day to Oakley House, Bromley, Kent, which Lord Cobham has leased.

Fire brigades from Stourbridge, Kidderminster, Dudley and other towns several miles distant could not check the progress of the flames. Lady Cobham herself went back to the hall after the outbreak had been discovered to retrieve a valuable string of pearls.

There is little doubt that among the losses to be reckoned are the library. Fortunately, however, Lord Cobham had recently removed a number of the more treasured books to a strong room in the basement.

The library, in addition to a rich collection of books, contained busts of Shakespeare, Milton, Spenser and Dryden, which were bequeathed to the first Lord Lyttelton by Pope.

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The mansion also contained some rare china, mostly collected by the late Viscount Cobham, including Dresden, Sevres, Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Chinese, Worcester and Derby. A few valuable specimens were saved.

The hall was built in 1760 by the first Baron Lyttelton, the poet and historian.

DRESS  
By MARY MARSHALL  
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The Jumper is Pulled in at the Hips To Look its smartest.

In looking back at the fashions of to-day from the perspective of some years hence one of the things that we may with reason look upon with amusement and scorn is the jumper—not the jumper itself, which is quite above any sort of reproach, but the jumper as it is worn, drawn very close about the lower edge, giving what we shall consider as we look back a very ugly line.

How did we do it? Couldn't we help looking like that, or didn't we know what an ugly line we were producing? These may be some of the questions that women will ask at photographs taken of themselves, dressed in smart sport clothes.

At French resorts last summer you may have observed this tendency to draw the jumper very tight about the lower edge, or, rather, to wear jumpers that fitted snugly below the hips. If you stayed at home, you may have noticed this trick in photographs showing groups of fashionable women at these resorts.

So when you make your selections of jumpers don't be surprised if the jumper fits quite close below the hips. It is meant to do that—fashionable women have demanded it—and whether you like it or not you will not possess quite the smart aspect unless your jumper fits in the same way.

The sketch, I think, gives an admirable and unexaggerated idea of this little trick. The jumper is of white silk jersey with a striped border and scarf collar. It is worn with a pleated white jersey silk skirt.

White, I believe, will be even more in favor this year than ever, so if you are in doubt as to the colors to select for your wardrobe select a great deal of white—pure white or cream white or oyster white—with white hats and white gloves to go with them.

## GIRL HAS TWENTY-SIX DIGITS

The eight-year-old daughter of Ballantyne Balazs, Mexican, of Kearns, Cal., is well supplied with phalanges. She has six fingers on each hand and seven toes on each foot. Aside from the little finger on the left hand, which is almost at right angles with the outside of her hand, projecting nearly straight out, the numerous supply of fingers and toes almost seem natural.

She goes to school and uses

SOCIETY MAY BE GOOD,  
A CAREER IS BETTER, BUT  
MOTHERHOOD IS BEST

MRS. C. S. DRENNAN

It is wonderful to be a leader in society. And it is satisfying to have a place of power in the business world. But best of all is the lot of a woman who has several fine children!

This is the conclusion of Mrs. C. S. Drennan, formerly a society woman and now a mining engineer of considerable experience, practicing down the coast in San Francisco. She is well known all along the coast.

"I wish I could talk personally to every woman in the world who says that she is being kept from a career by a number of children tied to her apron strings," she says. "I would tell all such women that—

"The society butterfly's life is an empty one at best. And the business woman's life is a sordid one at best."

## KNOWS ALL THREE

"I know the society world and I know the business world, and, believe me, nothing would make me happier than to be the mother of several fine children."

It has been seven years since Mrs. Drennan forsook the old southern mansion of which she had been mistress and went out into the world for a career.

She has traveled all over the world since then, prospecting for oil, gold and silver, investigating mining projects, launching companies and interviewing millions of mining men. And after these seven years of experience, she declares:

"Business men are the most courteous in the world—and I've been in Europe, South America, Mexico and Asia."

"I have been the only woman in the roughest of mining camps and never have I been insulted. Men are anxious to place a woman on a pedestal, and it is she herself who decides whether she will tumble off."

But Mrs. Drennan hasn't quite such nice things to say about women. "The average modern girl is a lazy person," she asserts. "She doesn't know why she's here and she doesn't care. Her principal concern is wheeling a fur coat out of her husband."

"The average modern woman is, in fact, a failure."

Mrs. Drennan emphatically denies that a woman need lose any of her charm by entering business.

## NEEDN'T BE MANNISH

"It isn't necessary to be 'mannish' to be a success in business," she says. "When a woman loses her femininity she loses everything."

"I am the same woman now that I was seven years ago. I meet men on the same basis that I met them in my social affairs. I have refused to wear 'mannish' clothes. I haven't bobbed my hair. I don't even roll my stockings."

"The business world brings many interesting and valuable experiences, she holds—much more so than a society 'career'—"

"But still," she concludes, "how much more wonderful it would be to be the mother of some fine children."

## FROG IS WEATHER PROPHECY

Clarice, the official pet frog of the City of Lodi, is the talk of the town these days. She began to croak last Sunday—and along came the rain. And again on Tuesday, she croaked—and there was rain. And Wednesday she burst forth into her merriest croaking—and it poured all day. Clarice is the genuine weather prophet of the Lodi district.

PARIS FASHION  
DESIGNERS BUSY  
ON NEW STYLES

Winter Modes Reach Climax With Rare Gowns and Blaze of Jewels

Paris, Jan. 23.—The last word in Paris Winter fashions has been said. The Paris Winter season is closing in a blaze of jewels and display of gorgeous evening toilettes that has probably never been equaled in the Third Republic. One might revert to the court of the Tuileries under the Empress Eugenie to find a parallel to the excessive luxury of material, jewels and accessories that are now displayed nightly, not only at private entertainments, but in the cabarets and restaurants. During the past decade precious stones have been a good investment. Many a French woman says frankly, "Of course I am buying diamonds and emeralds and as an investment. If the franc slumps further, at least I have these."

Diamonds, however, are not all that glitters. Much of the cool, white light that flashes from dancing figures comes from lavish ornamentation of strass embroidery. Strass is not inexpensive; it is one of the reasons for the high cost of evening gowns. Strass may be used discreetly in lines or as a tracery on velvet and mouseline; it may emphasize the pattern of a rich lame or brocade or it may form a glittering, scintillating tunic.

## PAILLETTE APPEARS IN MANY SHADES

Aside from strass we see paillettes of all shades, often in many tones of one color, forming wide panels or the entire top of a gown. The tones may run from cream to orange, from pale blue to a deep blue, from pink to rose. Under the lights these take on a fascinating flow of color far more interesting than the iridescence of a color combination. We also see the iridescent effects and much cool pearl embroidery. Such heavily beaded gowns follow a certain simplicity of line broken by a floating scarf, an oddly arranged bow, or set in frillings at the hem.

Formal evening gowns, according to Jenny, Worth, Vionnet and other authorities, have some suggestion of a train. Worth has designed a formal model with a double train, two long ends falling from a split on each side of the tunic. The tunic is embroidered with strass and crystal beads.

Very lovely is a gown with a long scarf train on one side set up in black lace embroidered in gold thread. Behind, running from the left shoulder to the opposite side of the décolletage, is a deep cape of gold lace edged with strass. Heading the train on the left side is a bunch of scarlet flowers with gold leaves. These are so soft that they can easily be pleated—in many cases they come ready pleated—or they can be shirred or draped as effectively as silk crepes.

The new materials, the silks and woolsens, the plastic matter that the designers are using, give us some hints as to the spring fashions. It is an open secret in Paris that the fabric houses and designers work in accord. The famous Rodier looms have produced for the spring season a wealth of soft, woolen crepes, with different surfaces to give variety. These are so soft that they can easily be pleated—in many cases they come ready pleated—or they can be shirred or draped as effectively as silk crepes.

## WOOLEN CREPES READY FOR SPRING

Tones in the one-color fabrics seem quaintly quiet after the high key set during the Winter. There are cool, decided tones in gray and tan that seem a novelty in woolen materials and the pastel shades of all colors are presented.

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TO ITALIAN KING BY MOTHER

Rome, Jan. 23.—Queen Margherita left a collection of pearls to her son, the Italian King, said to be the second most valuable in the world.

Twenty years ago they were appraised at \$45,000,000. They are in thirty-two ropes, with a total length of 2204 yards. King Umberto gave his wife a rope every year and she bought many more.

The Maharajah Clapurelle, an Indian potentate, has a slightly larger collection. The pearls of Queen Vic-

toria of England have been divided into three parts and the Russian Imperial pearls disposed, so the collection of Queen Margherita is the finest in Europe.

The Duke of Genoa, her favorite brother, inherits many beautiful stones. To Queen Elena the late queen Mother left her largest diamonds and her emeralds. The present Queen already has the finest collection of these gems owned by any royalty. Each of the King's four daughters also receives a magnificent diadem.

CHART YOUR FAMILY EXPENSES,  
NOTED BUDGET EXPERT URGES

This is Miss Sarah MacLeod, the budget expert of the Society of Savings, who urges every family to chart their expenses for 1926 at once.

Individual standards of living must be considered in intelligent budget-making, says Miss MacLeod. She declares that standard ready-made budgets fit the average home no better than ready-made clothes fit the average figure.

deep cape collars, it might be noted, are growing in importance on evening as well as day gowns.

In contrast to these beaded evening gowns is the dainty, girlish petted frock flaring in flounces or set in panels just below the knees. These are generally made of mouseline in several shades, one pleated point over another making the short skirt. They really resemble flowers. A bit of dressmaking craft is to gather separately each point or ruffle so as to gain the greatest amount of fullness with the least material. Fullness without weight is most desirable.

The important February exhibitions of Spring and Summer fashions are but a few weeks off. There is naturally much speculation as to what changes in the modes they will bring about. The designers are working in great secrecy in their individual ateliers creating new designs on tiny models which, if successful, will be copied on living mannequins. Their method is something like that of a sculptor modeling a small design which will be thrown up to life size after it is completed.

The new materials, the silks and woolsens, the plastic matter that the designers are using, give us some hints as to the spring fashions. It is an open secret in Paris that the fabric houses and designers work in accord. The famous Rodier looms have produced for the spring season a wealth of soft, woolen crepes, with different surfaces to give variety. These are so soft that they can easily be pleated—in many cases they come ready pleated—or they can be shirred or draped as effectively as silk crepes.

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Twelve and one-half per cent for savings.

Twenty-five per cent for food.

Twenty-five per cent for rent.

Ten per cent for operating expenses. This includes fuel and light.

Fifteen per cent for clothing.

Twelve and one-half per cent for advancement, including recreation.

several tones of the same color. Quiet and elegant are stripes, tone-on-tone, or in white on a light background, like a fine design done with a brush. Some of these stripes are diagonal and show a waving, indefinite outline quite perfect for the "spiral" gowns that promise such a success.

PORTER USED HIS  
SAVINGS TO CHEER  
SICK CHILDREN

Eighteen-Year-Old Londoner Acted as Benevolent Santa Claus to Hospital

London, Jan. 23.—"From Charles to the children" was written on a card accompanying a cot full of toys received by the Charing Cross Hospital.

There were more than 300 toys in the cot, and they were bought for the hospital by an eighteen-year-old porter, Charles, who works in a block of flats in Clapham, SW.

"There is little that we know of Charles except that he is very fond of children and bought the toys for them out of money he would ordinarily have spent at the cinema," a hospital official said to a reporter.

Charles is known to have been saving since March for the children's sake. The cot containing the toys he made himself.

Silk "Plus Four"  
Skirt Latest in  
London Society

London, Jan. 23.—The popularity of the tango in London has brought into vogue a new dancing costume for women, which is something like silk "plus fours." These are replacing the former sheath-like dance frock.

The long steps of the tango demand freedom from the restrictions of the narrow skirt, and have brought in the "plus four" gown. When the wearer stands still the effect is merely that of a full skirted frock, but immediately she begins gliding over the floor the divided effect is seen.

## PHILANDERINGS

LADY Bracknell (to prospective son-in-law): "Do you smoke?"

Jack: "Well, yes, I must admit that I smoke."

Lady Bracknell: "I am glad to hear it. A man should always have an occupation of some kind. There are far too many idle men as it is. How old are you?"

Jack: "Twenty-nine."

Lady Bracknell: "A very good age to be married at. A man who desires to get married should know either everything or nothing. Which do you know?"

Jack (after some hesitation): "I know nothing, Lady Bracknell."

Lady Bracknell: "I am pleased to hear it. I do not approve of anything that tampers with natural ignorance. The whole theory of modern education is radically unsound."

If all prospective mothers-in-law possessed Lady Bracknell's virtues, surely there would be almost no divorces and married life would be quite heavenly with understanding.

T'S most dangerous nowadays for a husband to pay any attention to his wife in public. It always makes people think that he bests her when they're alone," an Eastern paper remarks.

I KNOW the nature of women. When you will, they will not; when you will not, they come of their own accord."—Tennessee



# LOVE LIKE COLD WATER

By ROYAL BROWN.

Illustrated by HUBERT MATHIEU.

Eve's Ambition Was to Marry for Money, and She Realized It—But He Thought She Thought He Was Poor—A Queer Romantic Mix-up Followed as a Sequel



"Gracious," exclaimed Eve. "What on earth have you been doing—making mudpies with other little boys in the park?"

EVERY-ONE of that September day on which she was to be married—though she did not know it—then—found Eve Lyndall in disreputable riding-breeches with a smudge on her charming nose. The riding-breeches, once white and yet to be paid for—had been fashioned by a celebrated London tailor who would have wept could he have seen them now. Eve remained unperturbed; even a glimpse of her nose would not have upset her unduly.

Therefore it was well she could not see herself as others saw her—meaning in particular he who, having been born a Sylvester and christened Trevelyan, had preferred, for personal reasons, to rechristen himself Bill Smith.

It was the smudge on Eve's lyrical nose that finished Bill. He was wrestling with a wholly unaccountable but almost irresistible desire to kiss it.

"Go into reverse, old top—go into reverse," he was advising himself.

No one—not even Eve—could have guessed that. She was bored almost to extinction. She hated machinery with that honest hate which is bred in most women. Nevertheless, aside from the fact that Bill was an heir, Creator had made him—which was very well indeed—there were several perfectly good reasons why she should play the part of an admiring audience while he worked on her coupe.

The coupe was what is known as second-hand. Eve's mother had paid \$200 for it—\$50 down and the other \$150 promised at some future date. Ever since Eve could remember purchases had been made in this way. Their mall was always full of duds. Some had just "please rent" on them. Others spoke mildly of "Accounts long overdue." They bore foreign stamps and postmarks. Berlin, Paris, Monte Carlo, London and Rome—all the capitals of Europe and their environs, for Eve and her mother had lived abroad through many years.

This flood of mail was impressive. It gave Eve and her mother cachet wherever they went. All of which Eve found amusing.

Eve was twenty and exquisite. No other word described her so well. Even those who despised her for her flesh and philosophy of her philosophy, granted her right to the adjective. She had the loveliest speaking voice imaginable, akin in quality to the carillons of Liege, and her manner, when she spoke, could be sweet and shy and incredibly alluring.

## HER MOTHER'S AMBITION

This is what her mother had worked and hoped for through the long lean years.

"I am crossing in May," she had written an old friend in New York, "and I bring a pearl of great price with me. Will you buy it?" Eve's mother had not added that the pearl was for sale. But that was what she meant. Eve was to marry for the greatest and only enduring thing in the world—money. That was what they returned for.

Now it was September and Eve's mother wished it were June again. In June Eve had been a novelty and a sensation. She might have married any of several eligible men. But these had been young men. Eve's contemporaries and, as such, still dependent on their fathers. They had millions in prospect, but Eve's mother wanted millions at once. An older man, that meant.

There had been older men who admired Eve. But they had been wary. Eve's mother did not realize that her maneuverings seemed cold-blooded.

The summer which had netted her nothing save disillusion had been costly.

They must, she told Eve, retrench. This suggested some obscure little inn. In a Massachusetts town she had found what she sought. Sugar Loaf Inn it was called, and to it in September they had retreated.

The proprietor of the inn also secured a saddle horse for Eve. She rode beautifully and fearlessly. And so the days passed, all alike, until she who preferred to call herself Bill Smith appeared on the scene.

No entrance could have been less dramatic than his. He drove up to the inn one afternoon in a rattle-trap flapper out of which he stepped, with little grace, to confer with the proprietor. He was hatless and attired chiefly in khaki and he looked as if he needed a bath. As indeed he did.

This, however, was purely temporary and not his normal condition. He was, so the proprietor explained to Eve's mother, working in a garage down in the village.

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"Well, he said he'd come up to help Ames and that if people had an idea he had money they'd think he was cracked, working around a garage."

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"Why should he work—when he could loan money just as well?"

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Eve, returning from a ride, had been greeted with:

"Where have you been all this time?" And before she had recovered from the surprise of that:

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A FEMININE TRAP

"Serious? Are you seriously suggesting that I have been improving my spare moments cultivating young garage men?"

"You might have done worse. The one I speak of has millions."

Eve had looked incredulous. Then:

"Well," she had demanded satirically, "what am I supposed to do—get thrown from my horse in front of the garage?"

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This her mother had ignored. "It seems as if he must have noticed you."

"And to see men is to love me! That had been so well proved this summer."

"I suppose the proprietor might introduce you?"

"Helen, my dear, I am beginning to fear that your methods are crude. A millionaire in need is a millionaires indeed, but I suggest you leave him to me."

"What do you plan to do?"

"You are going to buy me a car," she informed her mother airily.

"No—just keep it. I don't mean a Rolls Royce—but the cheapest old second-hand car we can find. Something that will require frequent attention. When we find it I suggest you leave the rest to me."

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not draw her towards him slowly,avoring her sweet surrender.

He simply grabbed her and kissed her—clumsily and boyishly.

## ON CRAZY RIVER

But for a moment he might have been just Bill Smith for all Eve cared.

They were married, just after one, in a little village by a justice of the peace.

"You said," Bill teased her, "that you were going to marry for money."

This was after they were married, still traveling northward.

Eve had the grace to blush. He loved her for that.

They went on from Burlington to a roadster with a hundred-and-thirty-inch wheel-base. In Burlington, Bill had spent almost ten thousand dollars. Eve's lovely chin now nestled in a brand new fur coat, the best the city afforded. On the best of her left hand appeared not only a wedding-band, but a solitaire.

"But you said you were poor!" protested Eve.

"No man could be poor after marrying you," Bill retorted. "You've made a millionaire of me so soon."

He, too, had a fur coat. And in a new golf suit, brown eyes like his, he more than fulfilled the prophecy Eve had once made to her mother.

"He'll look almost respectable," she had said, "after he's been well scrubbed and properly clothed."

Now she remembered that and almost hated herself for it. And hated herself, too, because she must say: "I don't understand."

"Don't try to," he replied.

The fur coats, he told her, would be needed because they were going to spend their honeymoon in a camp on Crazy River, deep in the woods to the north of Plattsburg.

They came to the camp on the Crazy toward sunset the next day. It was as primitive as its setting, fashioned of logs, yet touched with crude luxury. Bill's eyes begged her to love it and Eve said she did.

And she did. The primitiveness plumed new depths in her.

They spent a month on the Crazy. Bill said he wished they could stay all winter, but he agreed with Eve that they owed something to her mother. The night before they broke camp they sat before a roaring open fire that cast fantastic lights around the fur-decked living-room.

Presently Bill spoke, breaking a long, sleepy silence.

"I've always thought," he said, "that some day I'd like a place in the country. One of those long, low, rambling houses with lots of land around it. A place where we could have horses and dogs and—"

"I know you and Eve would love it," she said.

He glanced around the living-rooms.

"I suppose," he reflected, "I'm an awful roughneck and it's about time I had my taste educated."

Eve's mother gave her a swift, searching glance. The wire Eve had sent her the day of eloquent surrender, a small town millionaire. More than that, Bill was indistinguishably the son of a mechanic who had had the wit to invent an automobile accessory and the shrewdness to cash in on it.

Bill, like his father, was a millionaire only by chance. Actually he did not fit either the message Eve's mother organized and managed for Eve or even in New York. At the end of a week his chief diversion was tramping the streets by the hour, feeling like an alien.

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"Fifteen hundred—"

"Give me the address," Bill had cut in. "I may be able to help you out."

The taxi driver had given him a suspicious glance. He had an idea he was being kidded. His second thought was that perhaps Bill was a nut. But you never could tell, and he had given him the address.

This Bill had with him as he entered the apartment. He had, as well, other souvenirs of the life-changing episode, more obvious. He was not aware of that.

Eve was at home. He heard her voice, lovely and curiously provocative, voice lovely and curiously provocative. He had refreshed her and kindled her. To her the count had been what the changing of a tire had been to Bill. She had felt as innocent as a kitten when she had surrendered to the impulse to knock at his door, and he had taken her utterly by surprise.

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"Say, Eddie, where did you get the idea that guy was soft?" demanded Gus of the taxi driver that night.

"Hard-boiled, I'd call him!"

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"I helped a man change a tire," Bill confessed confusedly.

"You go and change yourself!" she commanded. "And take a tub as well."

When he returned to the living-room it was deserted.

"Madam," Eve's maid informed him, "is dining out with Count d'Adoni."

She came in at midnight. The count came in with her. Bill, in his room, heard snatches of conversation, and presently the scent of their cigarettes reached him.

The count departed. Bill heard Eve's footsteps in the hall. His heart quickened and almost suffocated him as she approached his door.

Eve paused, then knocked.

"Come in," he managed to say.

Eve came in. She was lovelier than ever. She was his first impression. And then he saw the gown she wore—decadent, Gallic and daring.

"Did you wear that thing?" he demanded abruptly.

"Thing?" echoed Eve in honest surprise. "What do you expect me to wear to hear Helfts? A Mother Hubbard?"

To that Bill had no answer. He managed that by sheer physical effort, and this she realized. Her lovely eyes hardened.

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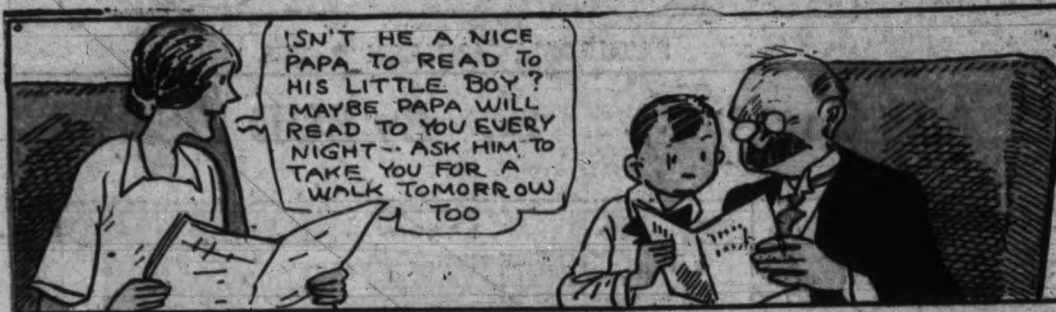
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Atta Boy, Jeff! Atta Boy!

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